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POLITICAL.

The Ohio Democratic State Convention at Columbus To-Day.

Most of the Delegates Want a Straight Democratic Ticket Nominated.

No Countenance to Be Given to the Liberal and Allen County Movement.

The Hon. Wm. Allen the Probable Candidate for Governor.

Convention of the Republicans of McLean County--Their Platform and Ticket --Other Political News.

Probable Course of the Ohio Democratic Convention.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 5.—Unless the auguries of the gathering here up to this hour (9 p. m.) should fail of fulfillment, the Convention of the Democracy of Ohio to be held here to-morrow will be the most memorable in some respects ever held in any State. All over the State the graves have given up their dead. The Gabriel of July 30 has aroused men who have not been heard of here in many years. The result immediately apparent here to-night, on a first glance around, is a general inclination to throw the State over to the Republican party with a whereas, rather than to give the slightest aid and comfort to the People's party. The majority of the delegates here now seem to have come with the determination of kicking against the movement of the 30th rather than of doing anything to reflect credit upon or secure success to their party. The feeling is one of vindictiveness because of something that has been done, rather than of determination to do something and hope for the success of that something.

There was talk early in the day of a straight ticket, to completely ignore that of the 30th. That talk has grown with the hours, until it has become the one idea of the delegations here now. Early in the day, there was a fair show of such a man as John McSweeny, of Wooster, for Governor, and now, since the old Bourbons of fifty years' standing have come in, the die bears a name raked up from the far past, of William Allen, of Ross County, once brilliant in the Senate of the United States. As it looks now, Mr. Allen will be nominated to-morrow for Governor.

Saunders, Fenton, Carey's chances for the first place having faded into a mere nothing, that gentleman's few friends are urging him now for Lieutenant-Governor.

L. D. Campbell, of Butler County, was spoken of by a few as a possible candidate for Governor, but his name seems to have been dropped.

There is a singular paucity of candidates for other places. None are talked about as yet, save Wallace, of Clark County, for Attorney-General.

There are a few delegates here who have some hope that the delegates yet to come to-night and to-morrow may make a reactionary movement, but it is decidedly a forlorn hope, I judge. There are not a score here thus far, and they lack a leader. The apparently overwhelming determination in favor of the straight and unterrified thing seems to intimidate them.

A meeting of the Hamilton County delegation, from Cincinnati and its suburbs, was held to-night. There were twenty-nine out of forty-six delegates present. With a few exceptions the delegation favored a stright ticket. Binding action was postponed, to await the arrival of the delegates.

[*To the Associated Press.*]

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 5.—The indications are that the Straightout Democratic Convention to-morrow will be a very large and earnest one. There has been no convention here for years that has shown so many Democratic wheelhorses as are now here. Early in the day there might have been a few who hoped for aid and comfort for the nominees of the People's Convention held last week, but a talk with the delegates put this out of the question. There is a most persistent determination to ignore and do all that is possible to wipe out all connected with the convention of last week. Wm. Allen, of Ross; Lewis D. Campbell, of Butler; John McSweeny, of Wooster; and S. F. Carey, of Hamilton, have been talked of for Governor; but all are now out of the way except Allen, and he will be nominated to head the ticket to-morrow by acclamation. The party leaders have assurances that Allen will accept if the nomination is unanimous. There is little talk of candidates for subordinate offices; but, if they will accept, it is quite probable that either McSweeny or Carey will be nominated Lieutenant-Governor.

McLean County Republicans Nominate County Officers--The Resolutions.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Aug. 5.—The Republicans of McLean County assembled in delegate convention this afternoon, in Durley Hall, and elected the Hon. B. F. Funk permanent Chairman, George B. Okeson, of Lexington, and J. E. Jewett, of Randolph, as Secretaries. The Hon. R. M. Benjamin was nominated for County Judge on the first ballot, as was Joseph Dennison, the present incumbent, for Treasurer. On the nineteenth ballot, Reuben D. Davis, of Bloomington, was nominated for County Clerk. John Hult, the present incumbent, was nominated for School Superintendent by acclamation.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

We, the Republicans of McLean County, in Convention assembled, while pledging ourselves anew to the great principles of universal freedom and equal human rights, with which the Republican party has triumphed in the past, and which it has permanently incorporated in the Government, State and National, do hereby resolve that the Republican party continues to be the party of progress and reform; that it meets boldly new questions as they arise, in the spirit of devotion to the rights of the people, irrespective of class or condition, and that it demands impartially the correction and punishment of all errors and abuses in the administration of the Government.

Second—That as the Republican party has ever been the friend of the oppressed, securing freedom to the slave, giving a home to the landless, obtaining from European countries a recognition of citizenship here for adopted citizens, it now greets with a hearty sympathy and extended hand to help every just and proper effort to secure to agriculture and labor their due influence and rights.

Third—That in our opinion the control of rates of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight on canals, railroads, and other public highways as the public welfare may demand, is a Legislative duty, the permanent suspension or abandonment of which is wholly beyond the constitutional competency of any legislative body.

Fourth—That the producing, commercial, and industrial interests of the country should have the best and cheapest modes of transportation possible, and, while actual capital invested in such means of transit, whether by railway or otherwise, should be permitted the right of reasonable remuneration, all abuses in their management, excessive rates, unjust or oppressive discrimination against localities, persons, or interests, should be corrected by law, and the people protected from such wrongs and from all improper and arbitrary use of the growing power of railway and other corporations.

Fifth—That we heartily applaud the active measures of the late Congress in ferreting out and exposing corruption. We have seen with profound regret in the developments made thereby evidence of political and official corruption, and the abuse of responsible positions by men of all political parties to further personal ends, and we demand pure official conduct and the punishment of unfaithful public men who, having betrayed the confidence freely extended to them, do not be shielded from the disgrace of their acts by partisanship of ours, and we denounce all Credit Mobilier and Congressional back-pay transactions that ever be their form.

Sixth—That, in full accord with the sentiment of the recent Republican State Convention of Iowa, we insist that, to secure purity and stability in official administrations, every good man should feel bound to participate in politics, and that, to put an end to the practice of unworthy persons forcing their election by securing a party nomination, it is the duty of every Republican to oppose the election of a bad or incompetent man, whether he be a candidate on our own or any other ticket.

Seventh—That all the members from McLean County in the Legislature of this State—Hons. John Casey, John Cassady, A. E. Stewart, and Thomas P. Rogers—receive our approval for their unanimity of action, irrespective of party association, upon the questions pertaining to canal and river improvements, and to legislation for the prevention and punishment of extortion and unjust discrimination on the part of railroad corporations.

The Kentucky Election.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 5.—It is possible that Burns, Republican, has been elected to the State Senate for the Lebanon District, otherwise the Democratic majorities have been generally sustained.

The *Courier-Journal*'s special from Lexington says Goodell, Republican, has a majority of 200 for the State Senate, but in one precinct the negroes took forcible possession of the polls, and the judges refuse to sign the poll-books. The vote of this precinct will probably be thrown out, and Wooldridge, Democrat, will then have a majority.

THE ERIE.

Important Suits to Be Brought Against the Company.

An Effort to Be Made to Throw the Company Into Bankruptcy.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Three suits are about to be brought against the Erie Railway Company. It is impossible as yet to tell whether the movements are simply to depress stock, depose the present administration, or to throw the road into bankruptcy. Jay Gould, who is bearing stocks, among them Erie, in which he is heavily involved, denies any connection with them; but it is very certain that within a few days his counsel, David Dudley Field and ex-Judge Fullerton, have been associated with others in the case. Some weeks ago Gould and Fullerton jointly attempted to depress Pacific Mail in the same way by rumors of a suit, and endeavored to get the *Tribune* of this city to publish the facts as furnished to one of the reporters. The *Tribune*, on investigating the statement, found a mixture in one important particular, and declined to publish any part of it. The next day the *Times* was induced to publish the story, and Pacific Mail fell for a day or two, but finally recovered. The connection of Fullerton and Field with the present suits gives currency to the report that it is an attempt of Gould to depress stocks. The rumors of these impending suits have agitated certain circles in Wall street for a week, and generally been accepted as an indication that the road was about to enter on another era of bitter and prolonged litigation. The opinion that the suits are leveled at the present administration is based on the character of the first two suits. One of these is in the name of a large holder of preferred stock, who alleges that he was injured by the violation of official trust of the Company in issuing to the proceeds of which had been applied to the payment of a dividend on common stock. The preferred stockholder declares that this was illegal, inasmuch as the preferred stock was entitled to an annual dividend of 7 per cent, to be paid before any dividend on the common stock could be paid. The holder of common stock, who sues, is associated with the bondholder of a railroad, a portion of whose securities are guaranteed by the Erie, and has the same design of declaring the acts of the present Directors illegal. The third suit, and most important, is intended to throw the Erie Company into bankruptcy, it is believed. It is asserted by some that this is really the first of a series of suits against the Erie, Lake Shore, Atlantic & Great Western. McHenry is on his way here and due in a short time. The suit is to be a formal demand to declare the Company bankrupt for non-payment of interest on the Boston, Hartford & Erie Railroad bonds, which Erie guaranteed. The Boston, Hartford & Erie was organized for the purpose of opening a through railroad from Boston to the Hudson River. According to allegations in the complaint, the proprietors of the Boston, Hartford & Erie determined to build the road, and make the Erie pay as much as possible for its construction. With this object in view, John S. Eldridge, then President and principal promoter of the Boston, Hartford & Erie, with the aid of confederates in the Board of Directors of the Erie, secured stock and proxies enough to control the annual election of the latter corporation. Upon the organization of his Board, Eldridge was elected President of the Erie; Alexander S. Diven, Vice-President; and Daniel Drew, Treasurer. The first act of this Directory was to ratify the contract between the Erie and Boston, Hartford & Erie, whereby the former was to guarantee $6,000,000 of 7 per cent first mortgage bonds to the latter corporation. The interest on these bonds was paid for a short time by the Erie, but the payments were finally stopped, and have never been resumed. The financial affairs of the Boston, Hartford & Erie grew rapidly bad, until the stock is now selling at from 3 to 4 cents on the dollar. Frederick L. Lane finally became President, and at last gave it up in disgust, and, as a last blow at the road, had his office-man, one John Rooney, elected its President. This pseudo President, on being interrogated to-day, said that the suit to throw Erie into bankruptcy was to be brought in good faith, but it is not generally supposed that he knows anything of what is going on in the matter. A lawyer named A. S. Vanderpool has been retained. He is the law-partner of A. Oakey Hall.

A *Tribune* reporter who called on Vanderpool was told by him evasively that he had heard of such suits, but he declined to give any information about them, but added that when brought they would be for his clients, and in good faith.

S. L. M. Barlow, counsel for the Erie Company, said that he knew nothing of the proposed suits with the exception of the preferred suit which had been agitated for six months past, and was simply absurd. He characterized the projected suits as stock-jobbing movements, for the purpose of depressing the stock. Efforts to ascertain the names of the principals in the several suits have failed.

FIRES.

Terrific Oil Explosion on Long Island —Three Men Killed and Much Property Destroyed—Fires Elsewhere.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon Long Island City was shaken as though by an earthquake, by the explosion of two tank-boats lying opposite to Rockefellow's Long Island City Oil-Works. In less than three minutes flames had communicated to the material stored in the yards and three square blocks were enveloped in flames. The intense heat thrown out by the highly inflammable material would not admit the firemen to approach within a block and a half of the scene, while the thick smoke was insupportably suffocating at a greater distance. Capt. Meyers, of one of the tank-boats, and a number of others were killed by the explosion, and a great number of boatmen near the scene were compelled to jump into the river in order to escape roasting alive. The Long Island City Oil Works, Standard Oil Works, Lowenstein's varnish factory, and other buildings were destroyed. The fire is still burning to-night. Loss not yet ascertained.

The *Tribune* says the fire was caused by Capt. Myers, of the oil barge lying alongside of the pier adjoining the Standard Oil Works, owned by Rockafeller & Co., at Hunter's Point, lighting his pipe, whereupon the vapor from the oil communicated with the flame. The barge was shattered and set on fire, the unfortunate smoker killed, and his body burned to a crisp. The flames rapidly extended to a large quantity of oil in barrels piled under the sheds on the pier. About 15,000 barrels of refined oil belonging to Rockafeller, Bostwick & Co. and others were burned, with the sheds and other material and five barges, involving a loss in the aggregate of $200,000, most of which is covered by insurance.

At first it was reported that the works of the Long Island Company had been destroyed. The works were in imminent danger, but were saved by a fortunate change of wind.

After the flames had somewhat subsided, the charred remains of Capt. Meyer were found in a corner of the barge. Two deck-hands, named Williams and Henderson, are missing.

The insurance is mostly in Eastern and foreign companies.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 5.—A fire in Ogden this morning destroyed seven buildings, with a loss of $12,000, The Zion Co-operative Institution lost $25,000, partially insured.

FOREIGN.

The British Parliament Prorogued.

Queen Victoria's Address---Felicitations on the Renewal of the French Commercial Treaty.

The East African Slave Trade Suppressed---Taxation Reduced---English Trade and Manufactures Not So Bad as They Might Be.

Nancy Evacuated by the Germans---The French Resume Possession.

Thiers Does Not Believe that the Orleanists and Bourbons Will Unite.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—Parliament was prorogued to-day. The Queen's speech, which was read by royal commission, is as follows:

My Lords and Gentlemen:

I am now released from the necessity of calling upon you for the further prosecution of your arduous occupations. In bidding you farewell for the recess, I make it my first duty to thank you for the loyal promptitude with which you have made further provision for my son, the Duke of Edinburgh, on the occasion of the approaching marriage. This marriage will, I trust, form a new tie of amity between the two empires.

The best relations continue to subsist between myself and foreign powers. I am able to announce the successful termination of the mission to Zanzibar. Treaties have been concluded with the Sultan of Muscat and other native powers, which will provide means for the more effectual repression of the slave trade on the East coast of Africa. I have been enabled to bring to a satisfactory issue commercial negotiations with France, which my Government has been for some time engaged. Under provisions of the instrument, signed on the 23d of July, and awaiting ratification, the treaties of 1860 were again put in force, with a comprehensive engagement contracted between the two countries for mutual treatment on the footing of the most favored nation, and the differential tax on shipping under the British flag is removed.

There are questions in which I and generally for the adjustment of the question of duties on mineral oils, and for the general relief and extension of trade. I have likewise concluded treaties on extradition with Italy, Denmark, Sweden, and Brazil. The ratifications of the treaties with the two last-named powers have not yet been exchanged, but I anticipate no difficulty in this final step. I am engaged in negotiations for the agreements of a similar character with other States, both in Europe and beyond. I am still occupied in giving effect to those claims in the Treaty of Washington which relate to British claims against the United States, and to the interests of my possessions in North America.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons: I am very sensible of the liberality with which you have provided for the various charges of the State, and likewise enabled me promptly to meet the obligations imposed upon me by the award of the arbitrations at Geneva during the past year.

I am glad to be able to express myself with satisfaction the progress you have been enabled to make in the remission of public burdens by reducing both the sugar duties and income tax to points lower than any at which they previously stood. The establishment of the Supreme Court of Judicature, by which the record of your proceedings has been distinguished, will be found, I hope, to confer corresponding benefits on the country in a more cheap, certain, expeditious and effectual administration of justice. The acts for the amendment of the Education act of 1870, and of the Endowed School act of 1869, will, as I trust, tend to accelerate the attainment of solid national advantages through the extension of education in the middle and most numerous classes of the community. The act relating to the regulation of railways and canals promises to conduce to a more harmonious working of the railway system of the country.

I have with pleasure assented to the act relating to merchant-shipping, from which, and from the labors of the Commission recently appointed, I hope for a diminution of the risks to which the seafaring population are exposed.

The revenue has up to this time fully answered expectations, and although activity in trade in some of its branches may have been somewhat restrained by a variety of causes, the general condition of the people continues to exhibit evidences of improvement.

These and all matters of Divine Providence will, I trust, find suitable acknowledgments alike in our works and hearts.

LONDON, Aug. 5.—The betrothal of Prince Arthur, of England, to the Princess Thyra, of Denmark, is announced.

From the Saturday Review.

The English Government will shortly be asked to renew for a limited time the French commercial treaty of 1860; and there will probably be little hesitation in acceding to the request, with or without conditions. The Government of Marshal MacMahon is happily relieved from the necessity of humoring the strange economic prejudices of M. Thiers. The country and the majority of the Assembly had already been inclined to a more liberal policy; and almost all parties will welcome the opportunity of escaping from a complication of recent embarrassments. When the English Government, after long hesitation, agreed to form a new commercial treaty, M. Thiers applied to the Powers which have unexpired treaties with France to concur in anticipating the term for which they still remain in force. The request was in every case met by a courteous refusal, so that it became impossible for the French Government to impose the taxes which had furnished a motive for commencing the return to a protective tariff. The tax on raw materials produced an utterly insignificant contribution to the revenue, and the only result of a laborious negotiation was to place a wanton impediment in the way of commercial intercourse with England. It may now be considered fortunate that Lord Granville and his colleagues carried conciliation almost to an extreme. It was understood that there had been some difference of opinion in the English Cabinet, and it was only after a delay which indicated a wholesome indifference to the commercial treaty that the question of modification was finally entertained. A stern refusal of concession, though it might have been consistent with the orthodox economic doctrine, would have furnished M. Thiers with an excuse for the failure of his policy, and it would certainly have caused irritation in France. The effect of the agreement to form a new treaty was to make the French Government exclusively responsible for all the difficulties which have since occurred. M. Chevalier and other ardent advocates of free-trade complained that the English Government was losing the opportunity of giving the French a useful lesson in economic science, but the instruction which is derived from practical experience is generally the most impressive and the most lasting. No national jealousy has disturbed the gradual conversion to sound doctrines of the large part of the French community which has hitherto wavered between the opposite systems.

It is now generally admitted that commercial treaties are only defensible as provisional arrangements while one or both of the parties are passing through an experimental process of education. The Treaty of 1860 was a contrivance by which Napoleon III. supplied one of the few defects in the Imperial prerogative. At that time, notwithstanding the general docility of the legislative body, even the power of the Government would have been insufficient to pass a liberal tariff; and the Emperor could, therefore, only accomplish his enlightened purpose by embodying his innovations in a treaty. A fictitious contract was accordingly made, by which England, in return for a reduction of French customs duties, affected to make corresponding sacrifices, which were, in fact, additional benefits to herself. The consumer was, according to the old fashion, treated as a public enemy, or, at the best, as a mere dependent on the producer. It was agreed that claret should become cheaper in England, as a set-off against the increased cheapness of cotton yarns in France.

Mr. Cobden [illegible] not having drive[illegible]shape liable to the charge of [illegible] countries, a sufficient[illegible], the advantage of both [illegible] felt unbounded confidence, bargain; but he [illegible]elytizing qualities of [illegible]n the pros[illegible]soon as it was tested in practice. His [illegible]yde as although it was too sanguine, has been to [illegible]rtain extent justified by the result. Before the fall of the Empire, indeed, the Opposition, under the guidance of M. Thiers, had obtained from the Government a kind of promise that the treaty should be denounced and remodeled at the expiration of the appointed time. On the accession of M. Thiers to power, the Protectionist party seemed to have become dominant; but after all the French nation is now contented with the partial liberality of the Treaty of 1860. The duties on almost all English products are unreasonably high, but there is no longer, even on the part of M. Thiers, any demand for prohibition. It may be assumed that the supporters of the treaty confine their attention to the French tariff, for it is well understood in France, as well as in England, that there is no question of increasing customs duties in England. Traders are probably beginning to understand that the encouragement of imports tends to increase the demand for exported commodities.

The chief oversight committed by Mr. Cobden has been corrected in the treaty lately concluded, and it will be proper in any impending negotiation to secure the continuance of a concession which was considered equitable by M. Thiers himself. The most-favored-nation clause was only one of the articles of the Treaty of 1860, and consequently it lapsed with the instrument in which it was contained. But for the occasion to insist on perpetual equality of treatment with other countries, it would have been impossible for the French Government to impose a distinctive duty on English vessels; and the benefits of the treaties with Continental States would have been secured to England. By the treaty now in force the right to profit by concessions made to other nations is made independent of the continuance of the special arrangement; and a partial exception which was allowed by the English negotiators to remain in the treaty is in itself a recognition of the principle of equality. It is probable that hereafter most-favored-nation clauses will be inoperative or unnecessary. The barbarous practice of higgling for special immunities is becoming obsolete, and the equality which has been hitherto secured by covenants may become a part of the common law of nations. Commercial treaties also will disappear as soon as the simple truth that buying is correlative with selling has been universally accepted. In the meantime, the provisions of commercial treaties ought to be just and reasonable; and if the English Government is willing to accommodate a friendly neighbor by conceding an unnecessary bargain, the perpetuity or right of the treatment accorded to the most favored nation may well be a condition of the treaty. The delusion that English manufacturers or merchants attach great importance to the Treaty of 1860 has happily been dispelled. The French Government, though it abandons the attitude assumed by M. Thiers, is still asking rather than granting a favor; and comparative indifference to the success of a negotiation affords a legitimate advantage to a diplomatist. It may be presumed that, even in default of a treaty, the French Government would recommend to the Assembly the tariff of 1860.

The proposed renewal of the treaty fortunately applies only to a limited period. The latest of the Continental treaties with France will expire in 1876, and the French Government naturally desires that the whole question of commercial policy shall be considered at a time when legislation will be unfettered by obligation to foreign States. No objection will be raised on the part of England to a continuance for three years of restrictions which have been endured with patience since the first conclusion of the treaty; but limits which, in theory at least, hamper the action of Parliament. Although the best economists are opposed to the plan of levying an export duty on coal, much dissatisfaction might arise, in a time of scarcity and dearth, if a popular measure were rejected on the ground that foreign States had a right to interfere on receiving an untaxed supply. The antipathy of the Australian colonies to freedom of trade has been aggravated by the former claim of the Home Government to a veto upon mischievous legislation; and although the foresight of the Emperor Napoleon has, on the whole, been justified, the earlier attacks on the commercial treaty were regarded in France as laudable protests against absolute government. When the simple principles of exchange shall have been at some future period universally admitted, it will require some effort of thought to understand why commercial treaties should ever have been deemed necessary or useful. During the negotiations of the last two years, the French Government were often reminded that no treaty was needed to facilitate the adoption of any tariff which might be thought most expedient; but M. Thiers, perhaps in the hope of providing himself with arguments in his negotiations with other States, always attached great importance to the object of obtaining the consent of England to increased burdens on trade. It is possible that in 1876 the French Government of the day may appreciate the advantage of reserving to itself absolute liberty, and that it may also be disposed rather to reduce than to increase the present tariff. In England the lapse of a few years will perhaps give additional weight to the reasons which have lately been urged against the whole system of commercial treaties. There is a certain absurdity in the assumption that the diminution of taxes paid in England is a concession in favor of France, or of any other exporting country; but in this, as in other cases, fictions are sometimes found convenient.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Aug. 5.—A dispatch from Vienna says the Count de Chambord received the Count of Paris to-day.

Ex-President Thiers assures his Republican friends that they need have no fear that a fusion of the Bourbonists and Orleanists will be effected.

The French troops entered Nancy to-day, and were received with wild enthusiasm by the citizens.

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GERMAN DESPOTISM.

A Cast-Iron Government and an Indifferent People.

Army and Navy—The Condition of Women Among the Lower Classes—Religious Education—The German Sunday—Much Drinking and Little Drunkenness—Ignorance of Politics—Censorship of the Press—The Internationals—The Catholic Question—Alsace-Lorraine—The Next War.

The Chicago Tribune.

Correspondence. COLOGNE, July 17, 1873.

The German Empire is an anomaly. It contains a civilized people and a cast-iron Government. The latter has a giant's strength, and is tyrannous enough to use it like a giant. If a German pantheist should wish to adduce a familiar example of an all-pervading power, he need only name the German *State*.

It shows itself, first and foremost, in the

ARMY AND NAVY.

In time of peace, out of a population of about 41,000,000, 425,000 men, nearly all of them between 20 and 29 years of age, are withdrawn from productive labor, and rigorously drilled in the science of slaughter. Every citizen, unless he belongs to one of two fortunate classes, must sacrifice to the State the first three years of his manhood entire, and then be liable to service, in case of war, for nine years more. The two fortunate classes are the sick, who are wholly exempt, and the volunteers. These latter serve only one year if they have special privileges; and, unless punished during the year for neglect of duty, they become officers in the event of a war during the next nine years. It seems, at first sight, as if everybody would volunteer; but there are difficulties. A man must offer himself before he is 20; must be then prepared to pass an examination so rigorous that many boys (so the head of a great German school says) ruin their health in "cramming" for it; and must, if accepted, himself pay for his board and lodging, his clothing and accoutrements. This entails a cost of from 300 to 500 thalers (a thaler is 85 cents in currency). Consequently, only young men who are both rich and well-educated can volunteer, and the ranks of the three-years' conscripts are kept full. The only distinction of uniform between the two classes is a slender green and white cord on volunteer shoulders. The

DISCIPLINE

of the army is severe. The officers are under more rigid control, in some ways, than the privates. Thus, an officer cannot carry the slightest bundle, not even a lady's shawl or fan. He cannot move in any society except the highest. He cannot marry unless his intended wife and he own, between them, at least 14,000 thalers' worth of property. He is, moreover, sent to church, like a school-boy, at stated intervals. The

COST OF THE ARMY

of 425,000 men is something enormous. What Germany would pay for her war-force of 1,313,000, I have no means of knowing; but the *Almanach de Gotha* for 1873 gives the figures in time of peace: For the year 1872, the total expenses of the Empire were 118,840,489 thalers. Of this sum, the military and naval expenses (including a trifle over 12,300,000 for pensions) absorbed 112,300,992 thalers. And this in time of peace! This enormous money-cost is, however, but one item in the sum-total. It is impossible to estimate the loss of national wealth caused by the withdrawal of so many thousands of young men from productive industry, and still more impossible to weigh the harm to Germany and the world which may result from training a whole people, in its impressible subject to militarism. Such a subject must be felt from

THE EMPEROR'S STUDY,

which we saw just as he had left it a few hours before, seemed like an index to the National spirit. The only pictures were those of battles; almost every book was on the art of war; the inkstands and paper-weights, etc., were made of tiny balls and bombs; and on a high desk was a sadly-worn map of Europe, on which Schleswig-Holstein and Alsace-Loraine were covered with letters and lines in red ink. There was scarcely an object in the room which suggested anything except war.

A prominent result of the army's absorption of men has been the widening of the sphere of

WOMAN—REGARDED AS AN ANIMAL.

Women are farm-laborers, hod-carriers, street-sweepers, hewers of wood and drawers of water. I have seen the women tugging along a canal-boat, while a man sat in the stern, smoked, and steered; and a woman harnessed with an ox to draw a plow which a man guided. These may be exceptional instances, but the commonest of sights in a German city is a woman harnessed with a dog before a little cart. The natural consequences follow: Woman is despised; immorality is frightful. An American family which spent last winter in Dresden advertised for a servant for weeks before an unmarried woman who had no children could be procured.

Former usages in regard to religious and secular

EDUCATION

differ much in the different States. Saxony is here curiously despotic. Although the King and Court are Catholic, the State appoints all the Lutheran ministers, pays their salaries, and—*cuncibi dicta*—gives out a series of texts, a year or so in advance, from which the pastors *must* preach. So the same text is the subject in all the Saxon Lutheran churches on any given Sunday. When I expressed surprise on hearing of this peculiar regulation, my informant, an intelligent, well-educated person, said: "If this were not so, a minister might preach on some subject of the Government did not want talked about; I should think all countries would make such a rule." The ministerial position confers no social standing whatever in Germany. In this, the nation is probably without a parallel. A Sunday-school or a prayer-meeting is a rarity. The Church is apt to be little more than a conforming-machine. Divine service is generally well attended by women, but very few of them go regularly; the great majority of men never go. Yet everybody is confirmed. The process is part of the school-course. The State provides good elementary education at a nominal cost, and makes it compulsory for seven years of a child's life. Great attention is paid to the pupils' health. They have daily gymnastic exercise, and short seances for study. When the children are about 14, they receive special religious instruction for a year, and are then confirmed—quite, as I have said, as a part of the course. What a sham the whole thing may be, is shown by the fact that, in the Saxon schools, in which the pupils are, of course, instructed in prescribed ways, the girls are taught that Christ's miracles were bona fide; while the boys learn that they are all explained by natural causes, and were not miracles at all! Thus prepared, the sexes are marshaled up for confirmation. The process is almost necessary for social position and for employment. So Germany, the so-called "nation of infidels," is one mass of nominal Christians. In some States, confirmation is a necessity for marriage. In Saxony, no man, unless he is a Jew, can be married until he has been baptized, vaccinated, and confirmed.

SUNDAY

is kept throughout Germany as Luther and Calvin used to keep its afternoon. In other words, it is a holiday. Churches and restaurants are open; stores are shut. The theatres have then their largest audiences; the beer-gardens are then at their fullest. Good music and fair beer are to be got everywhere; everybody gets both. The good order is remarkable. During three months' residence in Germany, I have seen only six [drunken men, three of whom I met in one day in Vienna. Such statistics must, however, be taken as a basis of argument with caution. It was but a few days since that a Glasgow clergyman told his congregation that he had just traveled 1,000 miles in the United States, and had seen only two drunkards. Nevertheless, it is the almost unanimous testimony of foreigners and natives that here drunkenness is a rarity. This is not caused by State or social efforts. There are no prohibitory laws, no abstinence societies. In parts of Germany, the law regulates the amount of beer that is to be made from a given amount of material. This is practically all the State does in the way of prevention. The greatest part of the German Empire lies in the climatic zone of the northern half of the United States. The inhabitants of both, according to the careful researches of the Massachusetts Board of Health, *necessarily* have a strong craving for alcoholic drinks.

OUR GREATER DRUNKENNESS

is doubtless to be partially accounted for by the difference of men. But, after allowing for this, we are still far behind Germany. The reasons therefore may perhaps be found in these facts: (1) In Germany, moderate drinking is respectable. The Ministers and State Councilors are usually chosen, so many by the people at large, and so many by the different professions and trades. This is naturally somewhat confusing. Quite a simple system, however, is that by which Prussia regulates

PROPERTY-SUFFRAGE.

The Kingdom is divided into electoral districts, each of which pays the same amount of taxes, and elects three Representatives to the Lower House. Say the amount of tax is $15,000. Beginning with the heaviest tax-payer, and going going regularly down the line, the men who together pay $5,000 are formed into a "Circle," and elect one Representative. If one man pays a third of the district tax he is a Circle by himself. The second "Circle" is formed in the same way; and the third consists of the rest of the votes, who, of course, pay between them the remaining $5,000. This scheme seems to be the fairest system of property-suffrage yet devised. It is said to work well.

Those who do take an interest in the

GOVERNMENT

of State interference. A traveler must fill out a printed blank for the police of every city at which he stops. Perhaps only his name and residence are required; but, in Berlin and elsewhere, he is obliged also to confide to the authorities his age, his occupation, his place of birth, the proposed length of his stay, and his religion. In some States, notably in Baden, insurance is compulsory. In all of them, troops may be quartered upon the citizens for two or three days at a time, whenever the barracks (often the largest buildings in the place) are crowded.

IS THE EMPIRE STRONG?

At first view, very strong. But it has many elements of weakness. In the first place, the people, as a whole, seem to be grossly ignorant of their political privileges, and indifferent to them. In Dresden, two university men, both of age, were unable to tell me whether the members of the Imperial Parliament were elected or appointed. Neither knew the qualifications for voting. One did not know whether the Federal States had separate Assemblies or not. The other was wholly ignorant of these Assemblies' times and places of meeting, and of their prerogatives. Both concurred in saying: "If you wish to know about any such things, you must ask a lawyer; nobody else knows or cares." To infer from the ignorance of these two men that of the whole nation would be painfully like M. Taine's inference of all the views of all Englishmen on all subjects from the looks and talk of his one fellow-traveler between Liverpool and London. It might even suggest that standard story of the danger of inductive reasoning from too few facts, which runs in this wise: A tourist in America entered in his note-book: "Was shaved this morning; the barber had red hair. Mem: All barbers in the States have red hair." But many other Germans have since confirmed what these two men said. Again and again have I been told that it was idle to expect anybody but a lawyer to know anything about the structure of governments. And, as far as my limited experience goes, nobody else has known. Such apathetic ignorance has sometimes been relied upon by despotisms as their surest support. Witness Napoleon III. and the French peasantry. But experience and common-sense unite to prove that people who show such indifference, while they still have the right to overthrow their government, will not willingly fight to maintain it when *domestic* foes attack it. They are indifferent to all local changes, as long as their own throats and purse-strings are left uncut.

This astounding ignorance is perhaps partially excusable, for the election-laws are apt to be intricate. Delegates to the City and State Councils

nt in their case will greatly influence
ian authorities in releasing them so
o legal question shall be decided by
parties, representing both the Gov.
JUSTICE.

RAILROAD-LEGISLATION.

Will Be Its Effects upon Chicago?

...or of The Chicago Tribune:

The effect of the legislation upon
riffs over all railroads in Illinois will be
arge portion of the commerce of the
Valley, and all of the products of
ari Slope toward St. Louis. Iowa gives
that she will emulate Illinois, and
effect will produce a perfect insula-
een Chicago and this section of the
k, and beef-producing West.
ying trade may be a monopoly, but it
competition. Wherever a railroad pays
r, it is soon found out, and a new one
constructed to drain all or a portion of
country. And, after the crude legis-
Illinois, it seems as though railroads
rs generally should, at last, be left to
e and the inexorable justice which
on institutes in all the avenues of Com-

common carrier of whom we have
e recollection, just at this moment,
who, with his Ark, did the passenger
tock business for an entire globe. He
opoly which ended in his getting ex-
tight and making a spectacle of himself.
And, ever since his time, wherever
e or individual monopoly has been let
legislation until competition or some
g moral or physical cause collided
e same monopoly has made about as
o" of it as did the venerable navigator
ip which did the business of all the

e "principle" of charging as much for
a passenger or a pound of freight 200
or transporting him or it 400 miles, I can
ng more obnoxious in it than there is in
e of rating postage by the United
vernment. You in Chicago to-day mail
e to San Francisco, and pay postage
83. And, the same hour, 100 letters
d to Calumet, which pay the same post-
e inequality and "unjust discrimina-
the United States is a subject to criticism
friendly legislation" as railroads, and
ore so because the Government has the
right to carry the mails.
again, your horse-railways "discrim-
ith vast inequality. Riding one block
s as much as riding one mile in the res-
and wonderfully growing City of Chi-
pair of boots there for a man 5 feet
es just as much as for 7 Long
and the *Inter-Ocean* is peddled
e same vociferous effort as though
a real newspaper. These little injustices
qualities of commercial life may possibly
gulated by the statutes of the sovereign
Illinois, but at present the undertaking
most stupendous one.
e effect upon the Northwest, upon Iowa
u Nebraska, is no more disastrous than
upon the brave city, which has so re-
merged from the blaze and ashes of a
isfortune. Standing as Chicago does, at
d of the Great Lakes, offering to hold in
e golden grain of all the Northwest,
cheap transportation over lake and
canal, it is to be carried to New York and
ed to Europe; and with no machinations
on to cripple, she was the Queen of our
es, to whom, both by interest and affec-
e looked for permanent and mu-
advantageous business-relations.
w Nebraska and Western Iowa
shut out from Chicago as effectually
gh the Great Fire was still raging, your
s all gone, and no prospect of quench-
flames, much less rebuilding the city.
gislation kills Chicago. It drives the
e of the two most fertile valleys on the
St. Louis; thence to Huntington, on
River; thence by railroad to Norfolk,
mood, and the seaboard. The Ches-
& Ohio Railroad is already operating
nce and wheat from Nebraska will be
re in 1873. Yours truly,
CARL MORTON.

E BISHOP OF WINCHESTER.

How he was Killed.

...the London Morning Post, July 21.

and sincere will be the grief felt in many
y the sad news which we have to com-
e of the death of the Bishop of Winches-
h took place on Saturday, in the 68th
is age. His Lordship left London on
by the Southwestern Railway (having
e train at Charing Cross), and, accom-
e Earl Granville, alighted at the Leather-
tion. Here they were met by a groom
in charge of two saddle-horses, upon
was their intention to proceed to the
the Hon. F. Leveson Gower, of Holm-
near Dorking, where they con-
d making a short visit prior to proceed-
and to Mr. Cubitt's at Denbies. They
e met at Holmbury by Mr. and Mrs.
e, at whose house it had been provided
e of the Bishop is said to have been
recommended by Earl Granville, on ac-
its being a very quiet and sure-footed
The distance from Leatherhead to
y is about seven or eight miles, and the
oted by the horsemen passes through
e loveliest portions of this picturesque
Keeping the high road as far as Bur-
ge, the rider's horse was changed,
and took the bridle path which follows
ings of the valley at the foot of Ack-
ns, leaving the town of Dorking a
to the left. At a point of this road
asses over the farm occupied by Mr.
, about half a mile from Abinger Hall,
becomes somewhat rough and stony;
is a smooth stretch of mossy turf run-
in a parallel with the horse-track, and
the three horsemen pursued their way.
ately, however, the grassy strip on
y rode is broken here and there by an
dip or hollow, and one of these, form-
of natural basin into the bank, is just
some farm buildings belonging to
hed, near what is known in the locali-
erchell's Rough." Just at this point,
ecularly charming bit of scenery
on the view, and whether it was
Bishop, while admiring the land-
riding with a somewhat careless
ncertain; but the fact is that, getting
t into the hollow, his horse stumbled
nd, before it could recover itself, the
thrown from his saddle, head first,
turf. His Lordship fell with great
and his death must have been as
was the accident which caused it.
is completely crushed, and, as was
found to be the case, his neck was
At the moment of the occurrence
ville was riding a little in advance
hop, and the groom was following
distance behind. Slight as was the
e by the Bishop's fall and the clat-
he horse's feet as it strove to pre-
f from gone completely down, it
ear of the noble Earl, who saw the
prelate lying motionless on the
although he showed no sign of life,
ille at first supposed that his com-
only stunned, and, alighting at once
rse, the Earl endeavored to restore
o consciousness. Alarmed by the
f his endeavors, Earl Granville dis-
groom to Abinger Hall, the state of
Secretary to the Board of Trade, a
d yards from the spot, with a re-
sistance. His Lordship remained
dy until Mr. Farrer, who hap-
e at home at the time, had ar-
me of his men. The body was then
a sort of hand-barrow, on which
as had been arranged, and was at
d to Abinger Hall, Earl Granville
elp in the melancholy task. Mount-
were at once dispatched for medi-
adjacent village of Shire, and also
and Mr. Furnival, of the former
r. Clark, of Dorking, were speedily
e. Their services, however, were
a slight examination at once made
hat, although there were no external
ry, the vertebræ of the neck had
The body was at once taken to
residence.

gle—Russian Marriage.

...a Gazette, of July 18, contains the
nouncement:
Court of Osborne House, Isle of
7th day of July, 1873, present, the
excellent Majesty in council. Her
ouncil was this day pleased to de-
sent to a contract of matrimony
Royal Highness Alfred Ernst
of Edinburgh, Earl of Kent and
of Saxony, Prince of Saxe Coburg
and her Imperial Highness the
ss Marie Alexandrovna, only
Majesty the Emperor of Russia;
h her Majesty has also caused
nder the Great Seal."

LOCAL POLITICS.

List of City and County Offices to Be Filled at the Next Election.

Who Are Aspirants for Places of Honor and Emolument.

Interesting Information Concerning Possible Candidates.

This is only the early part of August, and the election of city and county officers does not come off till November, three months from now. Still, the persons who are ambitious to fill these honorable or profitable positions are beginning to lift up their heads and suggest themselves, and have their friends state their special claims. There are many more who are lying quiet, distressed by the mixed-up condition of local affairs, and waiting to see where the salvation of the Lord is to come from, and who is to do the nominating,—whether the Republican party is to preserve its organization or call itself the Law-and-Order party, or whether the Democracy will try it again, or whether there will be an union of all the elements of the opposition.

The voters of the city alone will be called on to elect a Mayor, City Treasurer, City Attorney, City Collector, City Assessor, Clerk of the Police Court, and twenty Aldermen. For the moment, the Mayor is the most important individual in this batch. Owing to the powers conferred on him by the Mayor's bill, and his extensive patronage, he is really the head of the City Government, and, to a considerable extent, has control of the legislative branch of the City Government. He has it in his power, practically, to close or open the saloons Sunday, and so both the Germans and the Temperance people want to make sure of him. All sides unite in wanting a good, or, at least, a respectable man, not merely because the head of the ticket must be decent, but since we have always had honest and worthy men at the head of the City Government.

THE LEADERS

of the Republican party here, consisting of Messrs. Farwell, Judd, Scammon, &c., have decided to hold a regular convention, and to make semi-regular nominations. They want, first and foremost, to preserve the organization. They do not think it advisable to throw up the sponge, as has been done in some of the country counties. There are Congressmen to be elected next year. But, besides preserving their organization, they want to be successful, and to do that, in view of the German discontent and the demands of the Temperance people, is a little perplexing. They have decided, after much meditation, to nominate Mr. Colvin, of the United States Express Company. To begin with, he is a good business man and a pleasant gentleman. Then, up to the time of the war, he was a Democrat, and the party leaders who hanker greatly after Democratic votes, think, though mistakenly, that he will draw off some from that quarter. The fact that a man was a Democrat does not endear him to those who belong to the faith. Quite the reverse. Then Mr. Colvin is expected to carry the large floating vote of the railroad and express employes. Then, too, it is hoped, since he is not a "Temperance fanatic," that he will cut into the German element. The fact is that Mr. Farwell and the others are greatly put out by this German secession. They do not want to part company with Mr. Heeing. The old firm was a profitable one, and they would like to see it re-established, and are willing to nominate a Mayor who is acceptable to the *Staats-Zeitung*. Neither does Mr. Heeing wish to stay out in the cold. He would like to see the pleasant times which preceded 1869 restored. He would never have left had it not been for the pressure of the Germans, and if they, or any number of them, would accept Colvin he would do it. But he does not think they will. What he wants is a man of his own making (or Mayor, one whom he can run, and Mr. Colvin is not just that man.

The only

POSSIBLE HITCH

in this interesting programme of the Republican leaders is that the Convention may jump the track and may, for once, make nominations to suit itself. There is much discontent among the party-loving politicians. They say that they have not received the good things that they have been promised in other years, and that this fall they intend to take care of themselves, and not accept any back-parlor nominations. They find the yoke of Farwell a little heavy, and would like to shake it off, if they dared, and nominate themselves for offices, putting some respectable nonentity at the head of the ticket. They have a feeling that the Republican party cannot last very long here, and that this is their last chance.

There are

OTHER CANDIDATES

whose names have been mentioned for the consideration of a Republican Convention, the best of these being the Hon. L. L. Bond, who was member of the Legislature from the West Side in 1867 and 1869, and who for two years has been Alderman from the Tenth Ward. Mr. Bond is an excellent man, slow, but thorough and trustworthy. Undoubtedly he would like the place, which is an honorable one, but for the fact that it would so greatly damage his pocket. He is a leading patent lawyer, with a fine business, and cannot afford to give it up for $4,000 a year and the privilege, after March, of pardoning all the prisoners he wants to out of the Bridewell. If Mr. Bond were to make a fight, the Convention might nominate him, but he does not seem to think it worth fighting for.

The Hon. John M. Rountree, Representative from the North Side in the present Legislature, is a candidate for Mayor, but without any expectation of winning. He goes in only to trade. What he wants is to be Corporation Counsel, and he hopes to get it by withdrawing in favor of the successful candidate for Mayor. Some time ago Mr. Hesing puffed this gentleman, and declared he must be run for the Mayoralty; but, discovering that the North Side Germans could not stomach him, he dropped him, and Rountree is now a Law-and-Order man; that is, he does not want other people to drink anything.

There are a few who speak of R. P. Derickson, of the West Side, who was a member of the Legislature in 1871, who was beaten for Bridewell Inspector in that year, and who has been mentioned as Police Commissioner. His supporters are few, however, and are among the Temperance people, who, according to present appearances, will have no hand in making up the Republican ticket this fall.

Mr. A. H. Burley, the Comptroller, is a candidate, but has no earthly chance, and is gradually beginning to perceive it.

The Hon. Arthur Dixon, ex-member of the Legislature, and Alderman from the Second Ward, is "in the hands of his friends." What they will do with him is not certain. Probably they will trade him off on their own account. Perhaps they will try to get for him the Commissionership of the Board of Public Works, vice Carter. Certainly he never will be Mayor.

Every now and then some

LITTLE DEPUTATION

calls on Mr. Medill, asks him to run again, and assures him of a certain re-election. But Mr. Medill does not want to run again. He has had enough of it. Then, the Mayor's bill expires next March, and he will become powerless. The scepter will depart from Judah, and the Common Council will run things to suit itself. It would be an intolerable place for him. Nor do the leading Republicans want him to run again. They look upon him as too much of a disorganizer. It was during his administration that the Germans seceded, and that is enough to cause them to look on him with disfavor.

THE OPPOSING ELEMENTS

to the Republican party consist of the Democracy, disunited and uncertain, the Liberals, and the Germans, who are as yet reasonably compact. The Liberals do not feel inclined to vote for a purely Democratic ticket, nominated by a Democratic Convention. The Germans do not care who they vote for, provided he is sound on the main question. They would rather prefer a Democrat, however, in order to punish the Republicans. There are some Democrats, untaught by experience, who want a regular Convention, which would surely result in the nomination of a set of scamps. John Garrick and some other members of the County Committee talk after that fashion, but they have no following, and are perfectly willing to trade off with the Republicans, or anybody else. It is all a business speculation with them. Whatever they may try to do, it seems likely that there will be an "Opposition," and not a "Democratic," ticket. Two men are talked of as good persons to head it,—D. A. Gage and J. R. McAvoy. The former, City Treasurer for two terms, is well known, would be an excellent man for the place, and would be favorably available. He is a good enough Democrat for anybody, and ought to carry many respectable votes. But he has a business which takes all his time. He could not well spend his days in the Mayor's office. He likes his present place chiefly because it does not interfere with other duties, and it is doubtful if he really wants any other. Ald. McAvoy, while not a brilliant man, neither a good talker nor a very deep thinker, is eminently available. Born in Ireland, and with an Irish name, he ought to be supported by his countrymen. A steady Democrat, he ought to get the majority of the votes of that party. A partner in a large brewery, he satisfies the Germans, who do not car a fig for party platform. What they want is community of interest. A Mayor who brews meets their case exactly. They would take him even if he ran on an ultra-Temperance platform. He is a respectable man, and no question has ever been raised concerning his honesty. He would doubtless like the place, and is so well off he could afford to take it.

The Hon. John C. Dore, a Liberal, who was State Senator for some time, has also been mentioned.

Some people appear to think that Mark Sheridan dreams of running, but Mr. Sheridan is not a fool, and he knows better. Redmond Prindiville has been mentioned, but he cannot get a nomination, and is better off where he is.

The

ULTRA-TEMPERANCE PEOPLE

are in a bad way. They are are coming to think that there will not be a "Law-and-Order party" in which they will take front seats, and that they will have to choose between Scylla and Charybdis—Colvin and McAvoy. They may be weak enough to nominate a ticket of their own, but its fate is certain. It will not recive votes enough to require mention in the election returns.

THE CITY TREASURER

gets but $2,500 a year. Formerly he received the interest on the deposits, but Mr. Gage has ruined the office by turning them over to the Treasury. Though he has been in for two terms, he may be renominated. Dan O'Hara, the Clerk of the Criminal Court, is a candidate, but not a very strong one. He has lost his hold, and there is an impression that he has been in office quite long enough.

THE CITY ATTORNEY

receives $5,000, which makes this a place worth having. Gen. I. N. Stiles, elected by the Reform Movement in 1869, and re-elected on the Fire-Proof ticket of 1871, is willing to try it again. The Hon. J. M. Rountree will take it if he cannot get anything else, and Frank Adams, an excellent man, is spoken of for the place. There are shoals of young Republican lawyers, like George Richardson, who yearn after it, and it is impossible to say what the assembled wisdom of a Cook County Republican Convention may do in the nominating way.

THE CITY COLLECTOR

gets $4,000 a year, and has nothing to do, which makes this a most desirable post for our local politicians. The present incumbent, Von Holten, a decent enough individual, has Germanized, and need not expect anything from the Republicans. A. D. Morrison, Fenian, ex-Representative, and ex-West Side Alderman, is mustering the Temperance legions in order to get the place. He hopes to make so formidable a show of strength that the Republican party will take him up. But his movement in the Irish Temperance Societies, which looked promising at one time, had been headed off by Bishop Foley, who caused it to be intimated to these folks that they had better let politics alone, since it would destroy their usefulness. Since that time he has coalesced with what remains of the Committee of Seventy, and is trying to climb up on their shoulders, which are not, however, strong enough. He cannot impose himself on the Republican Convention, and will be pretty certainly defeated if he does. Tom Brennan is also spoken of for this office, but it is too early to say anything definite on the subject.

For the first time,

A CITY ASSESSOR

is to be elected, who will receive $2,500 a year. This place requires an excellent man, but offers so many opportunities for rascality and making a fortune that a bad one is very apt to get it. W. H. B. Gray is the best man spoken of, and next to him, perhaps, Tom Halpine, who does know something about the subject.

Canute Matson, for four years

CLERK OF THE POLICE COURT,

a place paying $2,500 a year, goes out this fall, and does not want the place again, having become thoroughly acquainted with the cheerful ways of Judge Banyon. Nobody has yet been heard of as specially wanting the office.

Of

THE OUTGOING ALDERMEN,

Bowen, in the First Ward, does not want to be re-elected, and things are so uncertain that it is impossible to say what sort of an individual can be chosen there. In the Second, Arthur Dixon will probably be re-elected. While he has not been constant to the liquor element, Frank Werren, the other member of the family, has. McGeunis, in the Third, is a good man, who would like to be re-elected, but it is a hard ward to figure on. McAvoy, in the Fourth, may be promoted. Stone, in the Fifth, is a fair man, with a fair chance of re-election if he works for it. Tracey, Cullerton, Clowry, and Powell go out in the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Wards. What is to result in these wards it is impossible to tell. The population is largely Irish, and an Aldermanic fight often turns on some event which took place in Ireland centuries ago, and with the merits of which Americans are not acquainted. Tracey is a smart fellow, but will have to work hard to get back again. Bond, in the Tenth, declines re-election, and a young man named Curtis is talked of as his successor. Sweet, of the Eleventh, has a ward Heath, of the Twelfth, is a good man, who says he does not want to return, but will not decline if re-elected, which is true of Sherwood, of the Thirteenth. Cleveland, in the Fourteenth, does not want to come back, and John Heafield is spoken of as his successor. In the Fifteenth, the redoubtable McGrath goes out. It has been said that he wants to be City Clerk, but that is very much talk. He can be re-elected if he pleases, for, in spite of all that has been said against him, he is a great favorite in his neighborhood, and is the Schuyler Colfax of the Fifteenth. He knows that, when the Mayor's bill expires, a place in the Council will be more valuable than it is now, and he will probably hold on. Stout and Langacher go out in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Wards. They amount to very little, and there will most likely be no improvement this fall. Carney, in the Eighteenth, wants to be sent back, and the chances are in his favor. Ogden, in the Nineteenth, cannot be re-elected in what is now a German ward, and Woodman, who has moved out of the Twentieth, is not to be returned.

THE COUNTY

will elect five Commissioners, a Judge of the Superior Court, a County Clerk, Clerk of the Criminal Court, County Treasurer, Judge of the County Court, and Superintendent of Schools.

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE.

Judge Porter goes out this fall, and is desirous of being re-elected. James P. Root, the present County Attorney, is a candidate, subject to the decision of a regular convention. M. F. Tuley, the Corporation Counsel, has also been spoken of.

COUNTY COURT.

Judge Wallace also goes out, but there seems as yet to be no objection to his re-election.

Dan O'Hara's term as

CLERK OF THE CRIMINAL COURT

expires, and Austin Doyle, long the Deputy, is a candidate. Canute Matson is going to present his claims to the Republican Convention, and, if the Scandinavians unite on him, has a good chance of getting the nomination. That element, which for four years has been satisfied with the Clerk of the Police Court, now aims at higher things. The salary is $3,000.

Julian S. Bussey, the present

COUNTY TREASURER

does not want to be re-elected, but as the office is a paying one, worth at least $10,000 a year, there is no lack of aspirants. It is said that H. B. Miller, the present Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, wants it, as well as Michael Keeley, the old President of the Liberty League. John W. Tappan, a good Republican, is also willing to try it on again.

Albert G. Lane is the outgoing

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

a place with a salary of $4,000. No man has yet been mentioned.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

whose terms expire are H. B. Miller, who declines to run again, and who has been a good member; A. J. Galloway, an excellent man; John H. Pahlman, Tom Lonergan, and John Herting. Among the candidates are Dave Clark, an old Supervisor and present Tenth Ward Alderman, who thinks he has his berth secured in the Republican ticket, and Dan Worthington, an old Supervisor. Lonergan wants to be returned. If Herting chooses, he probably can be, for he is a good man, and lives on the North Side, which must have its Germans.

By the 1st of September, look out for innumerable candidates for all these offices. The places are few, and the seekers will be many.

THE LAW COURTS.

The Partners in the Recent Elevator Combination at Loggerheads.

Decision in the Nutt and Forsyth Guardianship Suit.

Bankruptcy Matters — County Court Items—The Courts in Brief—New Suits.

Bethuel B. Vincent, Murry Nelson, Enoch B. Stevens, George Armour, Hiram Wheeler, Geo. H. Wheeler, James B. McKay, Albert A. Munger, Perry H. Smith, and Geo. L. Dunlap file a bill in the Circuit Court against Roselle M. Hough, Oramel S. Hough, Albert J. Hough, and Charles H. Hough, co-partners under the firm name of R. M. & O. S. Hough Company. Complainants allege that the three first-named complainants are co-partners under the firm name of Vincent, Nelson & Co., and as such own the "National" Elevator on the South Branch, which they managed up to the time of making the contract hereafter mentioned; that the remaining complainants are co-partners under the firm name of Geo. Armour & Co., and own the "Union" Elevator, also situated on the South Branch, which they managed up to the same date; that the defendants are proprietors of the similarly situated Chicago & St. Louis Elevator; that all said Elevators are connected with the Chicago & Alton Railway; that on the 14th of June last the three above-mentioned firms made and entered into a contract by which they agreed to consolidate the business of these several elevators, and carry it on under the name and style of Vincent, Hough & Co.; the contract further specified that the net earnings of said consolidated business should be equally divided between the three said firms; that each party agreed to put their respective elevators and warehouses in good order, and keep them so; that in case of fire sixty days be allowed any party suffering thereby to get their elevator in repair, their interest to cease immediately on the expiration of the sixty days if the repairs were not then completed; that the business be under the general supervision of a general manager or Superintendent, who should exercise general supervision, consulting the owners upon important topics; that he collect the earnings of said elevators and account therefor monthly; that the storage on grain in store in any of the elevators at the time of making the contract be collected by the then owners; that the elevators of the Chicago & St. Louis Railroad being out of repair, and its owners proposing to repair it, it is expressly understood that they shall not participate in the profits of the other two elevators until that work is accomplished. Complainants aver that the object of the parties to the contract was to secure economy, convenience, and dispatch in their business; that at the same time the previous contract was made a further contract was made by which complainants agreed at the completion of the repairs of the warehouse of defendants to pay them the sum of $3,500, which they declare their willingness to do, in consideration of the establishment by each party of their share of said business before the completion of the repairs upon their said warehouse; that Murry Nelson was, at a meeting held immediately after the signing of the contract, appointed manager of the business of Vincent, Hough & Co., and at once entered upon his duties as manager, and public notice was made of his appointment; that immediately after the execution of the contract the defendants gave up to him their books and commenced to repair their elevator; that the elevator is not yet repaired; that substantially none of the grain now arriving, or which has, since the execution of the contract, arrived by the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company, is consigned to a particular warehouse, and said Company is at liberty to deliver it to any warehouse in the city, and that, as to the time of the acts hereinafter complained of, all such grain, since said contracts were executed, has been delivered by said Railroad Company to the "Union" and "National" Elevators in accordance with said agreements; that on the 1st day of August, inst., the defendants solicited and procured to be delivered to their said elevator twelve car-loads of grain, and more than that number on the following day, and issued grain-receipts in the name of R. M. and O. S. Hough & Co.; that defendants disregarded their contracts and insist upon receiving and storing grain in this warehouse upon their own account, and refuse to allow complainants to have any interest thereto, and give out that they have a right to all the earnings of their elevator up to the time of the completion of the repairs; that they threaten to solicit and procure further deliveries, refuse to allow said Nelson, as manager, to manage the warehousing business in said elevator, and generally fail to fulfill the terms of the contract. In consideration of all which complainants seek relief in a court of equity, and in the meantime pray for and obtain an injunction restraining the Houghs, or their agents, from receiving and storing grain in the "Chicago & St. Louis" elevator during the existence of the contract of the 13th June last, except under Murry Nelson's management, from issuing warehouse receipts and transacting general business, in violation of the terms of said contract.

CITY INSURANCE COMPANY V. COMMERCIAL BANK OF BRISTOL.

This case came up yesterday before Judge Murphy upon demurrers to certain pleas interposed by W. R. Taylor, Receiver of the defendant, appointed under the laws of Rhode Island by the Supreme Court of that State. These pleas set up the decree of the Rhode Island Court, enjoining the defendant, a corporation of that State, from further transacting business, and appointing Taylor Receiver, and it was ordered that, as the plaintiff was also a Rhode Island corporation, it could not get out an attachment in Illinois and levy on the defendant's real estate here, but was governed by the laws of Rhode Island, which in such a case prohibited the issuance of all legal process against the insolvent, and in effect put an end to the existence of the latter, and sequestrated its property to the use of all its creditors without preference. The Court concurred in this view, and quashed the writ. The questions involved, and the result, are the same as in the Lorillard Fire Insurance case, decided by Judge Blodgett some months since.

Judge Murphy concurred with Judge Blodgett in holding that the principle of the Bankrupt law, providing for a pro rata distribution, had become engrafted in the commercial law of the different States, and should be respected and enforced accordingly.

INTERESTING GUARDIANSHIP CASE DECIDED.

The case of Nutt v. Forsyth came up for decision in Judge Gary's Court yesterday. The circumstances of the case are as follows: Mrs. Nutt filed her bill in chancery for the custody of the infant child of her deceased daughter, the child being at the time in the custody of a sister of her son-in-law, also deceased. The only ground on which the complainant sought to gain possession of the child was that the custodian was poor, and not able to bring up the child as well as would complainant, who is worth some $250,000. The defendant had been legally appointed by the will of the child's father its guardian, and, after several long discussions in the case, the Judge finally decided yesterday that he could do nothing for complainant under the circumstances, and dismissed the bill. It is said that the case will come up again in another shape, complainant suing in an alleged agreement between her and defendant with regard to the child's custody.

BANKRUPTCY NOTES.

In the matter of J. Phillips et al. the Provisional Assignee's report was confirmed, subject to objections in ten days.

A sale of the bankrupts' property was authorized in the matter of H. Hanson et al., at not less than $21,650.

Authority was given to the Assignee of the estate of H. Liebenstein for the sale of uncollected accounts for the sum of $1,697.

Proceedings in the matter of Geo. F. Glaser et al. are ordered dismissed unless objections are filed by Monday morning.

The Assignee's report of sale of stock belonging to the estate of Wm C. Poleman was approved.

In the matter of Benj. P. M. Kimball a discharge was issued and entered.

In the matter of O. L. Misch et al., an order was entered discharging the Assignee.

COUNTY COURT ITEMS.

Amelia C. Dreiske was appointed guardian of Bertha Dreiske, under an approved bond of $1,500.

The will of William B. Akers was proven and letters testamentary were granted to Sarah J. Akers under an approved bond of $14,000.

The will of John L. Gerber was proven, and letters testamentary were granted to Barbara Gerber under an approved bond of $100,000.

Bridget Donahne was appointed administrator of the estate of James Donahne, under an approved bond of $4,200.

THE COURTS IN BRIEF.

The Chicago Composition Granite Company file a petition in the Superior Court against William M. Burbeank and John H. Avery, for a mechanics' lien of $1,250 upon Lots 20 to 24 in Husted's Subdivision of the south part of Block 18, Canal Trustees' Subdivision of parts of Sec. 33, 40, 14. Avery is made defendant as the holder of a trust deed upon said property, which deed, petitioner asks, may be declared null and void.

Bessie White files a bill for divorce in the Superior Court against Charles White, to whom she was married on the 9th December, 1861. She alleges that Charles treated her very meanly after marriage, contributing nothing to her support, and spoiling his career by being arrested at Rockford, Ill., for horse-stealing, and sent to the Penitentiary for two years.

John F. Weare files a petition in the Superior Court against Mrs. R. L. Fletcher and Mrs. C. G. Lazear for a mechanic's lien of $130.99, upon the lots on Paulina street, fronting east, known as Nos. 201 and 199.

The case of Walker v. Douglas, which has been on hearing before Judge Gary for some days, was yesterday decided; the Court dismissing the bill at complainant's costs.

T. E. Ryan, on motion of R. E. Jenkins, was admitted to practice in both the United States Courts.

Judge Drummond yesterday rendered a decision in the case of Beers v. Richmond et al. The defendants sought to have the case transferred from the State to the Federal courts, but the Court denied the application.

Michael Sanders, who was arrested last Saturday on a charge of stealing five loads of sand from the lake, of the value of $30, the property of one Owen Sheridan, was brought up before Judge Gary yesterday afternoon, in the Criminal Court, on a writ of habeas corpus. The Court said that, as the witnesses were not present, he would have to postpone the case until 11 this morning.

NEW SUITS.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.—8,038, 9, 40—Appeal. 8,041—B. B. Vincent et al. v. R. M. Hough et al.; bill for injunction. 8,042—D. Waltner v. Michael Harper and Charles Schroeder; ejectment. 8,043—Joseph Jonescheck v. Henry Juergens et al.; distress for rent, $66.66. 8,044—Appeal. 8,045—suppressed for service. 8,046—Cyrus H. Cobb v. Lorenzo J. Lawson; bill.

THE SUPERIOR COURT.—44,505—Hannah M. v. Erwin M. Adams; divorce, on ground of desertion and cruelty. 44,506—F. Joseph Dewes v. Otto and Ida Hatting; confession of judgment on lease. 44,507—Chicago Composition Granite Company v. William H. Burbank et al.; petition for mechanics' lien. 44,508—Bessie v. Charles White; divorce, on ground of desertion. 44,509—John F. Weare v. Mrs. R. L. Fletcher and Mrs. C. G. Lazear; petition for mechanic's lien. 44,510—Tully C. Estee v. Frank B. Johnson; assumpsit, $1,000. 44,511—Thomas P. Hone v. Thomas Talbot; replevin of high-bred trotting horse John M. Clay. 44,512—Cooney v. Mademe; confession of judgment, $127. 44,513—Auguste Otto v. Sophia Boettcher; case, $5,000. 44,514—John M. Snyder et al. v. A. A. Sarion and C. R. Pennell; assumpsit, $500. 44,515—Appeal.

PERSONAL.

Gen. S. C. Abbott, of Baltimore, is at the Sherman.

The Hon. E. A. Pike, of Omaha, is at the Sherman.

Geo. W. Perkins, of Pontiac, is at the West Side Briggs.

The Hon. S. M. Felton, Philadelphia, is at the Grand Pacific.

The Hon. M. Hay, of Springfield, is at the Grand Pacific.

The Hon. A. A. Jackson, of Wisconsin, is at the Sherman.

The Hon. C. L. Jamison, of Philadelphia, is at the Sherman.

The Hon. Tom Hood, of Ft. Wayne, is at the West Side Briggs.

The Hon. L. Weldon, of Bloomington, is at the Grand Pacific.

Henry Bowers, of the James Fyle Saleratus-house, of New York, is at the Sherman.

The Hon. T. P. Price and W. B. Cockran, Esq., of New York, are at the Sherman.

Gen. J. H. Simpson, U. S. A., is among the prominent arrivals at the West Side Briggs.

Gen. C. A. Campbell, E. S. Frye, and the Rev. F. F. Ford, of Boston, are at the Sherman.

Thomas J. Shuler, Louisville, and J. L. Wetherill, of Fort Atkinson, were at the Central yesterday.

The Hon. J. A. Lindsey and H. J. M. Anderson, Esq., of Washington, D. C., are at the Sherman.

Happy Cal Wagner and his family of sitteen were at the Commercial Hotel yesterday, en route north.

Col. Theo. Hyatt, President of the Pennsylvania Military Academy, is stopping at the Sherman House.

Mr. A. Burt was yesterday elected a Director of the Board of Trade, vice Mr. W. E. Richardson, resigned.

Sergt. Garrity, Dan O'Hara, John Dowling, and Ald. Corcoran sailed yesterday from Queenstown for the United States. They will be welcomed home by many friends.

The following were at the Sherman House yesterday: Lasson Scott, Mendota; J. Headley, Beloit; E. W. Hutchinson, Cleveland; S. B. Cook, Boston; T. L. Ogden, Milwaukee; A. Pollock, Villa Ridge; Frank Curtis, St. Louis; E. A. Pike, Lyons, Ia.

Maj. D. R. Clendennin, of the Eighth United States Cavalry, is spending a few days in the city, on his way to Europe, where he will use up a considerable portion of the six months' leave of absence which he has just obtained after long service in the Far West.

Dr. A. C. Chenowith, House Surgeon and House Physician at the Cook County Hospital for the past eighteen months, has dissolved his connection with that institution, and is about to take up his residence in the Town of Henry, near LaSalle. Dr. Albert Strong succeeds him.

The following were among the prominent arrivals at the Grand Pacific Hotel yesterday: S. A. Badger, Boston; O. H. Booth, Mansfield, O.; J. M. Skowa, Greencastle; F. J. Glidden, Cincinnati; T. Caldwell, New York; C. A. Scarrett, St. Louis; C. S. Haley, Kansas City; S. M. Ward, Memphis; S. Humphrey, Toledo.

The Rev. E. P. Goodwin and the Peace Commissioners, who left this city about four weeks since on a visit to several Indian tribes in the West, have been heard from. They have traveled through the Ute and Arapahoe country, and are now on their way to California, in the best of health and spirits.

Geo. Danforth, Louisville, Ky.; W. R. Putnam, La Crosse; G. F. Warner, Indianapolis; J. E. Mandel, New York; Col. B. F. H. Lynn, Marquette; F. Wager, Marengo; F. G. Irwin, Rousseville, Pa.; A. King, Erie, Pa.; C. H. Jackson, Detroit, O.; the Hon. W. R. Steele, Ft. Wayne; J. H. Davis, Philadelphia; C. G. Warren, Boston; Robt. L. Allen, Wilmington; J. H. Chambers, St. Louis; Wm. L. Livingspelter, Indianapolis, Ind.; and A. W. Carty, Texas, are at the West Side Briggs.

Prof. Wise's obituary is in type in all the well-regulated newspaper offices.

Henry Clews, the New York banker, is now a frequent visitor to Keokuk, Iowa.

Ossian E. Dodge is sued for $1,000 by one of his attorneys in his recent divorce case.

The report that City Editor Shanks, of the New York *Tribune*, whipped a man last week, is confirmed. His adversary had accused him of writing "Beautiful Snow."

Odger, the English Republican, has become a bankrupt through his efforts in behalf of liberty. His liabilities are $4,800, and his assets $30. He is a cobbler by trade, and he lost his money by disregarding the proverb.

Schenck and Watterson have met in London, and their first sitting lasted thirty-six hours. Watterson was heard to remark as the close that he had never before realized the mediocrity of two pair.—*Cincinnati Commercial.*

The Grinnell (Iowa) *Herald* says that the object of the Hon. J. B. Grinnell, in his forthcoming lecture on Oakes Ames, will be to prove that Mr. Ames "remained a good man to the end, and is entitled honestly to respect as such."

James Thorrington, of Davenport, Iowa, who went out as Consul to Aspinwall only a few months since, found a lucky hit in the steamer Virginius case, since it (the case, not the steamer) brings him home, now, on sixty days' leave, to report to the State Department.

On the 21st day of October, Col. De Graff, will be 62 years of age, and yesterday he was giving invitations to his friends to take dinner with him at Pembina, on that day in honor of the occasion. The Colonel says his guests will go by rail from St. Paul.—*St. Paul Pioneer.*

A. P. Field, formerly Secretary of Wisconsin Territory, at present Attorney-General of Louisiana, is spending a few days in this city, with his family, and are stopping at the Read all House. It is now thirty years since Mr. Field left Wisconsin, and this is his first visit to our city during that time.—*Madison Journal.*

John S. Miller of Sterling, Ill., the largest distiller of alcohol for export in the United States, has gone to Europe to investigate for himself all the particulars regarding the manufacture of alcohol there. He feels sure that our cheap corn will bear us out in the business in competition with all Europe and Canada.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee narrowly escaped drowning at Alexandria, Va., last week. He was being rowed out to a schooner lying in the river bound for Washington, when the skiff upset. The colored man who was rowing him was drowned, but the General managed to keep afloat till his cries for help brought some men from the shore in another boat.

In view of Senator Carpenter's possibilities, we suggest to office-aspirants and office-holders, that they had better draw it very mildly in criticising the Wisconsin Senator. The Vice-President's health is bad, and the President will keep getting behind fast horses and smokes inveterately. There is no telling what may happen.—*Rock Island Union, ex-Postmaster.*

Schuyler Colfax being on a visit to Minnesota, we should be very glad to hear from him an expression of opinion concerning the Fort Snelling sale, which he solemnly declared, by his vote in Congress in 1858, to be fraudulent and void, and which was consummated in 1871, at Senator Ramsey's instance, by the Administration of which Mr. Colfax was Vice President.—*St. Paul Dispatch.*

Miss Annie Firmin

As has already been announced, Peter Lindell, Jr., one of the heirs of the great Lindell estate, died in Denver a few days ago. He was 26 years of age, and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. When it became evident that death was so near, he had his will drawn up in favor of his younger brother, cutting off entirely an older brother, whose life has been one of dissipation. Preparations were made for the signing of the instrument, on the day of his death, but he laid it aside and gave his attention to packing up some trinkets—watch, rings, diamonds, etc.—to send to his relatives, thinking he would have time to attend to the will afterwards. Without signing the will he died.—*Denver News.*

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The Chicago Tribune.

Wednesday Morning, August 6, 1873.

The Democrats of Ohio hold their Convention to-day at Columbus. A preliminary canvass of the delegates who have already arrived shows an almost unbroken front against the Liberal and Allen-County movement, and a determination to run a straight Democratic ticket, even if it be run only into the ground, and the State thereby yielded to the Republicans. The favorite candidate for the Governorship is the Hon. William Allen, of Ross County, who was in the United States Senate from 1837 to 1849.

Beer-selling is not the only business forbidden by the Sunday law under which the saloons of Madison, Wis., were closed last Sunday. Steamboats, stages, soda-fountains, livery-stables, and many other occupations come within its scope, and the liquor-dealers, in their indignation-meeting on Monday night, called on the Mayor to forbid them all to do any work on the Sabbath-day. They have appointed a Committee of Twenty to prosecute for such violations of the law, if he fails to do it.

We are informed by Mr. J. S. Clarkson, editor of the DesMoines *Register*, that, at the time our reporter was in DesMoines, writing the history of the Iowa Granges, he (Mr. Clarkson) was in Davenport. Therefore, the alleged interview with Mr. Clarkson could not have taken place. The statement of our reporter was, that he was introduced to a person whom he had never before seen as Mr. Clarkson, editor of the *Register*. We assume that Mr. Clarkson knows where he was at the time, and that our reporter was deceived as to the identity of the person to whom he was introduced.

A meeting of the Republicans of McLean County was held yesterday, to nominate county officers. This task accomplished, they gave expression to their views on the political questions of the day in a series of resolutions almost identical with those passed by the Iowa and Minnesota State Conventions. The Republican party is avowed to be the party of progress, able and willing to grapple with all new problems pressing for solution; Congress is applauded for its Credit Mobilier investigation; the salary-thieves are condemned, and the regulation of railroad charges is declared to be a legislative duty. No notice is taken of the Administration.

We print elsewhere an article from the Toronto (Canada) *Mail*, giving a sketch of the career of "Lord Gordon," the individual who is the central figure in the Minnesota-Manitoba imbroglio. The "Lord" is a humbug of the first water, being in no way connected with British nobility, and having, all his life, filled the role of a first-class "confidencer." The fact that he succeeded in swindling Jay Gould shows the magnitude of his ability in the line of rascality. Americans whom he has duped and gouged have the faint consolation that they are not the only victims of this sharper,—he having, before coming to this country, operated extensively and profitably upon numerous persons in England and Scotland.

Some impertinent censure has been heaped upon the head of the Rev. Robert Laird Collier, of this city, who is now in Boston, because the printing of the report of the Relief and Aid Society has been given to the Riverside Press, of that city. There are three very conclusive reasons why this censure is undeserved: First, the Relief and Aid Society itself voted to have the work done in Boston, in whose behalf Mr. Collier is only acting as agent. Second, Boston contributed $500,000 to the funds of the Relief Society, Chicago nothing. Third, the Riverside Press offered to do the work at cost. No Chicago house made such an offer. In view of these facts, the censure of Mr. Collier is not only very unjust, but an exhibition of gratuitous impudence.

The Common Council has passed a ridiculous ordinance requiring all livery-stables to number their carriages, display lights so that these numbers may be seen, and otherwise make them conform as nearly as possible to street-hacks. The distinction between livery-carriages and street-hacks obtains in all the cities of the world, and it is a proper one. There are associations about street-hacks that naturally keep a great many people from employing them; but these people should not be deprived of the convenience and pleasure of riding in hired carriages on that account. The ordinance is simply a leveling process, and it is leveling the wrong way. The influence of the hackmen seems to preponderate in the Council. The Mayor will do the public a service by vetoing the ordinance.

Not a whit less important than the political conventions which make so much more noise is the meeting of the National Educational Association, now in session at Elmira, N. Y. One thousand delegates are in attendance, representing every part of the country. Their deliberations are led by such men as Dr. McCosh, of Princeton; President Edwards, of the Illinois Normal University; President Eliot, of Harvard; and other eminent instructors. The meeting will last three days, during which papers will be read and discussions held on all the varied methods and instrumentalities of culture, from the common school to the National University. President White, of Cornell, will speak on the co-education of the sexes; President Edwards, on the duties and dangers of normal schools; President Eliot, on a "National University." There will also be papers on the comparative value of the natural sciences and the classics in culture, the education of American youth abroad, and similar questions.

Somebody's stupidity is responsible for a serious railroad accident yesterday on the Burlington & Quincy Road, about thirty miles from this city. An extra freight-train was put on the track to run ahead one station, taking advantage of the tardiness of the Dubuque Express, which was behind time. What with the extra speed of the latter train in the effort to recover its lost time, and the deliberate movements of the freight-train, the conductor of which was told he had time enough to make his station leisurely, the two came together. A fog, a curve, and a down grade, all combined to prevent the engineer of the pursuing express train from seeing the other. Two men were killed and several others badly injured. As the rear train carried passengers, the loss of life might easily have been greater.

The practical editor of the London *Practitioner* has recently been examining homeopathic medication from a chemico-analytical point of view. Having examined the "second dilutions" of copper, mercury, nux vomica, and belladonna, and failed to discover any of the drugs they are said to contain, he next turned his attentions to the "first dilutions" of aconite and belladonna, taking for each analysis 100 pilules, which, according to the homeopathic formulæ, should contain just 1 per cent of those remedies. Although the processes were delicate enough to have discovered the very small fraction of a grain of either, he got no chemical reaction whatever. Thereupon, the editor of the *Practitioner* decides that the cures said to be effected by homeopathy are due entirely to the imagination. But are not cures effected by the imagination just as good as cures effected by medicines?

The Washington *Chronicle* (Harlan) has a long editorial on "Cæsarism," meaning thereby the third-term principle. It commences and ends with appropriate quotations from the play of Julius Cæsar. It heaps a vast deal of ridicule on the Cæsaristic journalism of the day, and then gravely remarks:

> Surely the example of Washington in declining to be elected to a third Presidential term is entitled to the most profound respect; but is the opinion or example of any man to be held superior to the Constitution itself? Yet that instrument contains no clause which prohibits a President's serving for three terms, if the conditions of the country or the deliberate will of his fellow-citizens shall demand of him to do so.

The danger of the Democratic party getting into power and repealing the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments is also feelingly introduced, with the suggestion that it may be necessary for Grant to run again in order to prevent so dire a calamity.

Queen Victoria reviews the public events of the year in her address of prorogation to Parliament. The marriage allowance to the Duke of Edinburgh is deemed worthy of the first mention. Treaties have been concluded with the Sultan of Zanzibar, the Sultan of Muscat, and other Chiefs, which will put an end to the East African slave trade; the commercial treaty of 1860 with France has been renewed, with a few changes; the income-tax and the sugar duties have been reduced to the lowest point they have yet reached. Mr. Plimsoll's work receives indirect notice in the Queen's allusion to the various measures taken to protect the seafaring population. The address closes with a reassuring reference to the unusual dullness of commerce and manufactures, which has excited a fear in England that her old-time supremacy is waning.

The Common Council has done well to order the Board of Public Works to report what measures have been taken to extend the sewer at Twenty-second street into the lake. The sewage at this point is discharged directly into the narrow basin, only a few feet in width, between the breakwater and the railroad track. When the wind does not blow, it stagnates there and poisons the shallow water which washes in between the piles. If the wind is from the north-east, east, or southeast, the filthy sewage is kept in continual agitation in this narrow space, or is forced back into the sewer to contaminate the atmosphere of houses with its poisonous gases. Being directly at the railroad station, it is the first scene which meets the eye of the stranger and the first smell which greets his nose. We hope the Common Council will follow the matter up until the nuisance is abated; otherwise it will soon breed a pestilence in that part of the city.

The interest of the forthcoming elections in Newfoundland turns upon the Confederation question. In the general election of 1869, the scheme to unite the island with the Dominion was almost unanimously rejected. The terms offered were a representation of eight members in the Dominion Parliament and an annual allowance of money not quite half the amount of the revenues of the island for the last fiscal year, while the taxation proposed was far in excess of the present local taxation. The question is now discussed again in view of the coming elections, but the popular feeling is still very strongly against it. The people of the island oppose the scheme because Canada is too remote from them, and because she cannot guarantee them any just compensation for the sacrifices they would make in joining the Dominion. They have also taken warning from the condition of New Brunswick, whose Treasury is depleted, and also from Nova Scotia, which is fast lapsing into the same condition. It is the opinion of those who are acquainted with Newfoundland that she will never join the Dominion except under coercion.

The Chicago produce markets were generally quiet yesterday, except corn. Mess pork was rather more active, at unchanged prices, closing at $16.80 cash, and $16.00 asked for seller September. Lard was dull and nominally unchanged, at 7¾@7¾c per lb for winter, and 7¾@7¾c for summer rendered. Meats were quiet, but higher, at 7¾c for shoulders; 9¾@9¾c for short middles; and 10@12¾c for sweet-pickled hams. Highwines were dull, and nominally 1c lower, closing at 92c per gallon. Lake freights were active and steady, at 5¼c for corn to Buffalo. Flour was dull and steady. Wheat was dull and a shade easier, closing weak at $1.16¾ cash; $1.14¾ seller the month; and $1.07¾ seller September. Corn was active and ¼c higher, closing at 37¾c cash, and 38¼@38¾c seller September. Oats were dull and a shade easier, closing at 26¾c cash, and 25¾c seller September. Rye was quiet and firm at 58c. Barley was quiet and 2@3c higher, closing at 86c for new No. 2 seller September. On Saturday evening last there was in store in this city 332,699 bu wheat, 2,703,189 bu corn, 620,688 bu oats, 58,248 bu rye, and 33,217 bu barley. Hogs were in fair demand at firmer prices, sales making at $4.25@4.90. There was no important change in the cattle and sheep markets, the former ruling firmer, and the latter quiet and easy.

THE COURT-HOUSE PLANS.

If there be, as some have claimed, a demon of perversity, that fell spirit has taken full possession of everything and everybody connected with the Court-House plans. The project of getting a plan commenced at hap-hazard has been matured in ignorance, and has already culminated in stultification. For a full four months, the Committees have had these plans under consideration, and the tax-payers of the city are no nearer the new Court-House to-day than they were when the matter was first broached. The record of the deliberations over these plans is marked throughout by gross ignorance and wretched bungling. Early in April last, the Joint Committees met to examine the forty-nine plans which had been submitted. Prior to that time, the public had examined them and discussed them; the newspapers have had their say, and very naturally no two of them agreed upon anything. The architects themselves rushed into print, and no men are so merciless against each other as those in the same profession. It was to be presumed that the Joint Committees had been selected of practical men, who had some knowledge of architectural drawing and building, and were, therefore, competent to decide upon the relative merits of the plans. It may be possible that when they undertook the task they understood their duties. If so, then their heads were turned by the noise and jangling which had been going on all around them. They got together and they speedily threw out thirty-one of the plans altogether, leaving but eighteen for consideration. It is easy enough to decide what is a bad plan. It is not so easy, however, to decide upon a good plan. The Committee, however, got on swimmingly. The eighteen plans were reduced to nine, the nine to six, and the six to three. This looked like business, and the tax-payers congratulated themselves that at last there was a prospect the Court-House might be built within the present century. With the three plans before them, however, the Committee shrank from the responsibility of choosing one, and, like the school-boy puzzled with his sum, who in sheer despair rubs the figures all out and begins anew, so the Committee rubbed everything out and commenced *de novo*. In other words, the Committee still had the forty-nine plans before them, and had done nothing at all. This was the signal for architects, amateurs, builders, Aldermen, real-estate dealers, and scribblers of every description to rush into print, defending their favorites, assailing their enemies with personalities, making charges of corruption and underhanded dealings, and throwing the Committee, who were already sufficiently bewildered, into the most distressing state of imbecility. Sleeve-buttons began to appear in the case, and gifts of a more valuable description were charged upon sundry architects. In the midst of all this hubbub, the dazed Committee went through the form of attending to their duties. By and by the clamor died away, and the whole subject was being gradually forgotten, when the Committee, having recovered from its stupor sufficiently to remember that it was obliged to make some kind of a report to the Common Council, finally determined to make a decision. On the 17th of July, therefore, after sitting over three months on the plans, they got together, and, selecting fourteen out of the forty-nine plans, balloted for the three plans which should have the premiums. The first was awarded to Mr. Matz, as being the best plan; the second to Mr. Gay, and the third to Mr. Tilley. Once more the tax-payers began to congratulate themselves that some progress had been made towards getting a Court-House, but once more they were doomed to disappointment. At the last session of the Common Council, the report of the Committee was presented but was not taken up, although the Council were as ready to act then as they ever will be. Its consideration was postponed a week, which will give another week for obfuscating everybody. To still further muddle the matter, the Corporation Counsel sent in an elaborate opinion to the effect that the Joint Committees of the Council and County Commissioners had power given them to award the premiums for the plans, and that their action bound the Council, so far as the premiums were concerned, without, however, binding it as to the selection of a plan by which to build the Court-House. This is probably true as a matter of law, and it amounts to this, that, although the Committees have decided that Mr. Matz's is the best plan, the Council is not obliged to accept the best plan. This virtually leaves the question all open again, and the mirage of the new Court-House, which has been showing itself so brilliantly, once more dissolves and disappears. What shape it will take when it appears again, no one can tell, but it will probably not resemble any of its former aspects. As the Common Council is not bound by the action of the Committee, the whole forty-nine plans once more come into the field, and, as no two of the Council have the same mind or know anything about the matter, in all probability we have got to go through the same old wrangle again. Looking at the farce from this point of view, the question at once suggests itself, if the decision of the Committee is a mere abstract one, carrying no force with it, what was the necessity of having the Committee at all? Was it merely for the purpose of paying out several thousand dollars in premiums for plans no one is bound to accept or even to consider? People who are not members of the Common Council will ask, if Mr. Matz's plan is the best one, why is it not accepted? If it is not the best one, why was he paid the prize of $5,000? The whole matter is now deferred for a week, and, if the same policy is pursued in the Council which was pursued in the Committee, it will go over many more weeks, with a prospect of even worse confusion than we have had heretofore. We think the farce has been played long enough.

A correspondent asks us: "Can you induce 'Old Probabilities' to place San Francisco on the list of stations in the daily weather report. I think it would be more acceptable to a majority of your readers than such outlandish places as Escanaba, Duluth, or the Cannibal Islands?" To this we answer:

First—The United States Signal Service Bureau does furnish reports of the weather at San Francisco, and at a great many places besides those named in the table published in THE TRIBUNE each day.

Second—Our aim in publishing such table is to enable our readers to trace for themselves the movements of the atmosphere, which are known as weather changes; and we have, on several occasions, stated the general principles of weather law, by a knowledge of which the weather of the near future may be obtained from a study of the figures given in our daily table. We publish the meteorological conditions that obtain at small places, like those named by our correspondent, not for the benefit of the inhabitants of those places, but because they form a series of stations surrounding Chicago and its neighborhood; and the weather of some one of those points is always moving upon Chicago, while the weather of San Francisco does not, as a rule, affect the meteorological conditions of this region. If our correspondent will learn to use our daily weather report, he will see that it is not advisable to make the change which he proposes.

DESPOTISM IN GERMANY.

We print elsewhere in this issue an interesting letter from Germany, descriptive of the political and social condition of the Empire as seen by an American. The conclusion which will force itself upon the intelligent reader is, that the German Government of to-day is one of the most absolute and despotic ever known to the world. There have been autocracies that pandered more to the caprice of a despot, and there have been aristocracies, in the feudal days, which enslaved the masses in a manner that would not be possible at the present time. But there has never been so thorough and systematic a domination of the State over the individual. The German Empire is the embodiment of the Paternal System. The State is everything; the citizen nothing. It is the principle of Protection applied universally. Government in Germany means that personal rights, personal opinions, personal religion, personal education, and every other individual thing, must submit to the will of the State. The influence of Prussia was largely felt for years before the Franco-Prussian war; since the war, North Germany has been Prussianized to the core. The subjection of the people, and all their institutions to the Government, has always been the policy of Prince Bismarck, in which he has had an efficient and strong-headed coadjutor in the King of Prussia, now Emperor of Germany. The martial propensities of the hale and burly King William, who lunches with his helmet on his head and sleeps in a camp-bed, have always proved an effective support for Bismarck's budgets; and now the system, which has been so solidly established in Prussia for years, has permeated all that part of Germany which Prussia has practically absorbed.

The military prowess of the Government is its main reliance. To sustain it the people of the Empire are taxed 112,800,992 thalers a year, which represents, at 5 per cent, the interest on a public debt of 2,246,019,840 thalers, equivalent to as many American dollars on a relative basis of values between the two countries. In other words, the people of Germany pay as much annually for the support of an army in time of peace as the people of America pay to discharge the interest and reduce the debt which resulted from a five-years' civil war. Every male citizen is subject to military service for twelve years, three years absolutely and nine years in case of war. The military discipline falls upon the particular time when manhood is forming, and its lessons last for a lifetime. This military service, and other restrictions on marriage, have a bad effect on the morals of the lower classes. It is also a direct cause of the degradation of women, who are forced to till the fields, follow the plow, and bow themselves to unwomanly work, while the men are enlisted in the army for the good of the State. The degradation of women of the lower classes, morally or physically, is an essential element of complete despotism. Education and religion are regarded as mere elements of that intangible but all-absorbing paternity known as the Government. Both are compulsory. Every child must go to school, and every child must be confirmed. The laws are somewhat different in the different States, but all point alike to the strengthening of the Empire. The women keep up their church-going practices; the men drop it altogether after they have issued from the schools. Both conditions are regarded as advantageous to the Government. Just now there is a persecution of the Catholics and a crusade against the Jesuits,—not because they are Catholics and Jesuits, but because their principles and practices are opposed to the despotism of the State. If Methodism prevailed in Germany in the same degree and with the same force as in this country, Bismarck would turn his lance against it just as readily as he has against Catholicism. The police system is military in discipline and Jesuitical in practice. It pervades all Germany. There is no personality, no domesticity, no sociality, no press free from its surveillance. The police of every city have a complete descriptive directory of every man, woman, and child, whether they are resident or transient. They are organized mainly to watch the interests of the Government; incidentally to protect the citizens. They exercise judicial as well as executive powers in public and criminal matters. They are social spies, who stop at no means to obtain information that they desire. Not only the mails, but the telegraph, the express, and the railroad systems are under Government control, and all agencies are used for Government purposes whenever it is suspected that private ends clash with them. The press is totally subjected to police authority. Shortly after the brief Austro-Prussian war of 1866, the formal Press Censorship was abolished, but it was only to throw the control of the press more completely into the hands of the police, who have since suppressed newspapers and imprisoned editors without waiting for censorship. There was a recent effort to pass a liberal Press bill in the Reichstag. Bismarck asked a postponement, and made a "concession" with a new bill of his own. The concession only gives the police wider scope than ever, for a journal may be summarily punished for anything which in general threatens the right of property, the institution of the family, the military system, etc. It is an authorization for suppression of newspapers for general and indefinite offenses that may be construed at pleasure. The political ignorance of the people is almost incomprehensible. Though there is a system of universal suffrage, with property distinctions, the people do not understand it, and the general testimony is to the effect that lawyers alone are familiar with Government affairs.

The German Government of to-day is essentially a strong Government. The conclusion which our correspondent draws, to the effect that "the people will not fight to maintain their Government when domestic foes attack it," may be true, but the army will. Never was sedition so quickly and completely crushed as in Berlin in 1848. The German army is as effective in revolution at home as in war abroad. The old Field-Marshal von Wrangle drew up his cannons at the head of Koenig strasse in Berlin and swept the streets, and platoons of soldiers fired at the word upon crowds of people in which their fathers and brothers, mothers and sisters were likely to be. The paternal system of government in general, and the military discipline in particular, is calculated to impress the people with the notion that their first duty is to the State, and that whatever it does is right. The flood of emigration that has poured from Germany to America has probably been caused more by the prospects of doing better in a new country than by the attraction of political freedom. Recent discussion on the subject of Scandinavian emigration to America has developed this fact with regard to the Swedes, Danes, and Norwegians, and it is probable that it applies equally to the great mass of Germans who come to America. People become accustomed to the paternal system, and like it even at the sacrifice of personal freedom. The dangers that threaten the strong system of Government so rigidly established over North Germany are rather these: (1) The abuse of the power of the State by a corrupt ruler and Ministry; (2) the old sectional animosity which formerly existed, and the new jealousies that are likely to arise among the different States; and (3) the natural ambition of a powerful and centralized Government to extend its dominions. Disintegration of the German Empire is likely to grow out of one or all these possible conditions in time; but, as the people themselves are generally responsible for the Government they live under, the German people have provided a system which is likely to hold them down to it by its own adhesive strength and gravitation until abuses different from any that are inherent in the system combine to weaken it.

NOTES AND OPINION.

The Illinois State Board of Equalization meets at Springfield next Tuesday, Aug. 12, and will be composed of the following gentlemen, elected last year, but now to be assembled for the first time, viz.:

Ex-Officio—Charles E. Lippincott, Auditor of State.
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2—Thomas Prosser, of Cook.
3—Homer Willmarsh, of Cook.
4—Orson H. Riggin, of Henry.
5—Edward B. Warner, of Whiteside.
6—William L. Wiley, of Henry.
7—Sylvester H. Dewey, of Grundy.
8—Ira C. Mosier, of Kankakee.
9—Rufus W. Miles, of Knox.
10—Daniel D. Parry, of Warren.
11—*Levi T. Whitcombe*, of Greene.
12—*John W. Singer*, of Cass.
13—Milton Whitney, of Logan.
14—Joseph G. English, of Vermilion.
15—*Samuel McNutt*, of Edgar.
16—*Daniel L. McCawley*, of Clay.
17—*George Hunter*, of Macoupin.
18—Daniel R. McMasters, of Randolph.
19—*Arad K. McCabe*, of Gallatin.
Secretary—William Stadden.
[Sir Liberals, is Stadden?]

—The election of Delegate in Congress, Sept. 1, by New Mexico, will be hotly contested by Jose M. Gallegos, the late Delegate, and Stephen B. Elkins, candidate of the office-holders' regime. Whichever of them is apparently elected will find, under the beneficent salary-grab law, an accumulation of $5,625 salary, which may be drawn before ever Congress meets, and without even the trouble of a visit to Washington.

—Richard P. Morgan, Jr., of Bloomington, Ill., accepts the Anti-Monopoly nomination for Treasurer of McLean County, saying:

> I have informal knowledge of my nomination to the office of County Treasurer of McLean County by your Convention of the 1st of August. Fearing, should I neglect accepting the nomination until after the Republican Convention, a misconstruction of motives, I desire at once to thank you for your expression of confidence, and if elected I shall take pride in trying to perform the duties of that office in all respects, so as to justify your good opinion of me.
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> I firmly believe that through the wrongful and pernicious influences of the various monopolies existing in this country, the just and proper liberties of the American people are already seriously endangered; and that it is therfore vitally necessary to every true and patriotic citizen, to arrest without delay the monopoly power, which has been permitted to advance so far that the people of the United States, from Maine to Oregon, are startled by its portentious shadow.
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> I firmly believe that adequate relief for the evils complained of cannot be obtained through the action of existing political parties, trammeled, as they are, by many unworthy men, the serious effect of whose lukewarm performance of duty the people are now rising to overcome.
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> If it shall be needed to say more than this before election day, I will try to do so, in word and spirit, to meet your approval, and also that of my own sense of duty touching the exigency of the times.
>
> RICHARD P. MORGAN, JR.
> BLOOMINGTON, Aug. 4, 1873.

—We believe that the Democratic party as a national party is to all intents and purposes *practically dead*, though its principles will live while a Republican form of government exists in our land. It may seem to some unreasonable that any man should be deterred from supporting Democratic principles merely on account of the name, but it is a fact nevertheless, and men who are wedded to the name of Democrat ought to be as willing to give it up for the sake of principle.—*Bloomington (Ill.) Democrat.*

—The abandonment of the Democratic organization is a cheering sign. We hope a political party may never again have such a lease upon life. Long-continued prosperity is always accompanied by corruption, and a breaking up and fresh commingling of the elements every few years would be for the nation's health. Look at the present Republican party, rioting upon the National Treasury! Behold its Credit Mobilier, its salary-grabbing! These "sins and wickednesses" ought to be enough to choke the life out of it; but we mistrust that only a tithe of its corruptions have come to the light. Whenever a party is guilty of a crime so hideous as the salary-grab, it is fit only to die. A Republican Congress and a Republican President compassed this ineffable meanness.—*Danville (Ill.) Times.*

—The great reaction now in progress, all tends to an ultimate and certain result. The cheated and betrayed masses are already looking for a relief that can only come in one way. They see through the goom the star that heralds the advent, and are already hastening to regain the road trod with safety by such multitudes before them. In the near future it is as certain to triumph as the world moves.—*St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer.*

—Fortunately for the country and for the credit of the press, the epoch of journalistic servility as one of the chief agencies in politics is passing away. In all quarters there are signs abroad of this purport, which neither statesman nor patriot can behold without a thrill of satisfaction. The independent and impartial press of the country may not be as courageous and as far-reaching as it ought to be, or as well appreciated as it should be, or as commanding and effective as right-minded people would have it be; nevertheless, it is doing a wholesome and good work.—*Philadelphia Telegraph.*

—Some people think the farmers' movement is not accomplishing anything. Such is not the case, however. These railroad gentry are beginning to have respect for the movement. They see that it means business, and that the farmers are terribly in earnest, and that is won't do to "fool them."—*Mattoon (Ill.) Commercial.*

—We do believe this "irrepressible conflict will go on" until the principle is established that a corporation cannot be granted powers by the people's representatives and agents to oppress them, without a just remedy, and that corporations must forfeit their franchises to the State as the agent of the people, when the granted rights, charters, and franchises have been perverted, abused, and misused.—*Mattoon (Ill.) Journal.*

—Those who object to the Railroad law on the ground that it has *fixed* the new freight rates are mistaken. The railroad companies have made the rates. Their gradually ascending scale of prices is a concession to that part of the law which prohibits unjust discrimination, but in fixing the initial rate and the scale of advance from station to station they have followed their own ideas. They could have made the tariff 10, 20, or 50 per cent below their present rates, and have better conformed to the law.—*Lincoln (Ill.) Herald.*

—First-class freight from New York to Chicago by rail is now 75 cents per hundred. The incorporated gang of robbers known as the West Wisconsin Railway Company charge 40 cents per hundred from Camp Douglas to Humbird. How is that for stealing?—*Neillsville (Wis.) Press.*

—The discussion of railway freight rates, from the standpoint of city interests, has now commenced. The agitation, heretofore, is from the farmers' standpoint. The position taken by the New Yorkers is, in the main, more tenable than that of the farmers, although the grievances of the two are, probably, quite equal. New York objects against the discrimination practiced against her, in favor of other cities. She also denounces the system of "watering" railway stock, now so common, and the enforcement of a freight tariff intended to secure dividends on stock not really represented in the cost of the railroads. We welcome the agitation as likely to lead to railway business being brought down to a solid business basis. We believe the people, not Constitutions, will remedy the railroad evils existing.—*Pittsburgh Gazette.*

—The Boston *Traveller*, which may be supposed to be conversant with Gen. Butler's plans, says: "It is no longer a question whether Gen. Butler will bolt—he will be the candidate, and the bolting, if any occurs, will be by his opponents. 'Will they bolt?' is now the great question of our local politics. We don't believe they will, but until that doubt is settled, the propriety of their attempting to control the party is questionable."

—The Washington *Chronicle* suggests that those who denounce Gen. Butler as the author and defender of the "salary-grab," and the Senators and Representatives of the existing Congress, all of whom, possibly with one or two exceptions, are regularly receiving and pocketing their little $625 per month under this law, are not very consistent teachers of morality. The honorable members from Massachusetts, whose pockets are plethoric with greenbacks drawn since the 4th of last March as monthly pay at the increased rates, as members of the Forty-third Congress, and denounce Butler for supporting the law under which they secure this lucre, are not very valuable as shining examples of virtue. It is about time such demagoguism was played out.—*Burlington (Ia.) Hawk-Eye.*

—We hope that Butler will get the nomination, for he can do far less mischief in Massachusetts than he could at Washington. Some of the most unpopular measures of the Republican party had their origin in the versatile mind of Gen. Butler. As Governor of Massachusetts his influence would be more local than national.—*Milwaukee Wisconsin.*

—That Grant himself is intent upon a third term, and that his trusted manipulators, the office-holders, have already their cues no intelligent observer of current events can hardly doubt.—*Quincy (Ill.) Herald.*

—The discussion of the third term has been brought about by a few politicians whose desire for office renders them sycophantic and foolish in their conduct, and has been taken up by a certain portion of the press in order to make a point in favor of their pet theory that the country is drifting toward Cæsarism.—*Cheyenne Leader.*

—One thing is certain. The silly talk of the Democratic papers about "Cæsarism" and the third-term nonsense is a striking, though involuntary, tribute to the strength of the Republican party. It was thought a year ago that the Liberal movement was going to kill the Republican party, and we were told even then that it had fulfilled its mission, outlived its usefulness, etc. But it vindicated itself with an outstretched arm, and carried the country by a tremendous majority. Since then it has had some ugly licks, such as Credit Mobilier, back-pay, etc., dealt it by its own friends, and yet our opponents admit if the Republican party chooses to nominate Gen. Grant for another term, an event which is utterly and absurdly improbable, that his election would be certain! It shows what supreme confidence they have in the strength of the Republican party.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

—Whenever the question arises, what has George W. McCrary, the member of Congress from this District, done since the 4th of March last to entitled him to draw up to this time the sum of $3,125—that is $625 a month. Has he not, during all this time, been attending to his own private business, making as much aside from his salary-grab, probably, as any lawyer in Keokuk? *Burlington (Iowa) Gazette.*

—We were never more firmly resolved upon anything upon this earth than that Congressmen shall not have more than $5,000 a year for their services. If Mr. Joseph G. Cannon takes more, we shall do our utmost to defeat him if he presents himself for re-election. If he takes the wages it was expected he should have when elected, *and no more*, undoubtedly he can have our support if he deems it worth the having. But we are ready to vote for the most hateful and villainous Copperhead God suffered to come through the war alive before we would vote for the most "truly loil" salary-grabber. There is a personal meanness, an individual sordidness, a crystalized cussedness, avarice, an indecency, about the grab that rouses one's anger and provokes profanity. The man who has not got the gristle to resent this infamy ought to raise corn all his life for 20 cents a bushel. It was the last act of a Congress reeking in rottenness and corruption. The act was indorsed by a Republican President.—*Danville (Ill.) Times.*

—We hope every Democratic paper in the District will speak out unequivocally. The people repudiate Mr. Comingo's conduct, and the organs of public sentiment should not be silent. Concerning Mr. Comingo personally we have not a word to say. We have always regarded him as an honorable gentleman, and for the many favors he has shown us personally we feel especially grateful; but still our duty is clear and we have not hesitated to condemn Mr. C's conduct on the salary question in the most unmistakable terms. He no longer represents the people of the Eighth District and it becomes his duty to resign, and let the place be filled by one about whose garments there is no taint of official corruption. We are convinced that four-fifths of the tax-payers and voters of each school district in his Congressional District demand his resignation. They are beginning to speak out, and Mr. Comingo may expect to hear the voice of an outraged constituency until he does yield the place he is no longer morally entitled to.—*Platte City (Mo.) Landmark.*

—Mr. Grant's Postmaster at Freeport, and editor of the Freeport *Journal*, this State, set afloat a story about a secret circular from the Democratic State Central Committee of Illinois, concerning the county elections this fall. Mr. Grant's Freeport Postmaster-editor has been assured by a member of the Committee alluded to that no such circular has been issued, and that the said Committee has had no meeting whatever, this year. Yet Mr. Grant's Postmaster-editor, and other editors, members of Mr. Grant's party, permit their falsehood to go on its travels, uncontradicted. This is a sample of the morality of Postmaster-editors, belonging to Mr. Grant's party.—*Rock Island Argus.*

Murderer Captured.

CAIRO, Ill., Aug. 5.—Daisy Breese, the murderer of his brother Don, was captured in Williamson County this morning. Search was instituted on Sunday by Sheriff Irvin and a posse, of this county, but no discoveries were made. Suspecting that Breese had gone to Williamson County, the Sheriff, with a Mr. Greenlee and a Mr. Walker, the father-in-law of Don Breese, took the train on Sunday night for Carbondale. Arriving there about 2 o'clock yesterday morning, they started for Williamson County, and at a little after daylight they learned that their game was hidden in a field of weeds near by. The field was then surrounded, when Daisy showed himself, and declared that he would not be taken. The Sheriff drew his revolver, when some one of the party, on the other side, fired, and Breese was shot through the shoulder, captured, and brought back to this city this morning, where he has been lodged in jail. His wound is not thought to be dangerous. We have not heard that he has made any admissions as to his guilt. Sheriff Irvin deserves great credit for thus promptly pursuing and capturing this dangerous man.

A Prised Warden Attacked by a Convict.

BOSTON, Aug 5.—Daniel Whelton, a convict in the State Prison, to-day attacked Warden Chamberlain with a shovel, striking him in the face. The blow took effect over the right eye, and along the right side of the Warden's face, penetrating to the bone. Chamberlain fired at the convict, the ball breaking one of his ribs. He was taken to the hospital. Chamberlain's wounds, although serious, are not dangerous.

Arrest of a Dealer in Counterfeit United States Bonds.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 5.—A Dr. Goldsborough, at Mungerville, was to-day arrested for dealing in counterfeit United States bonds, of which, it is alleged, he sold $20,000 worth in Pennsylvania. This offense is said to have been committed last summer, and it is claimed that he goes under an alias.

Adrift on the Lake.

DETROIT, Aug. 5.—Yesterday Samuel Cooley and Eli Duval were picked up in Lake Erie, off Stony Point, by the tug Frank Tracy, their boat having capsized on Sunday morning, since which time they had been in the water, unable to right their boat. They were very much exhausted, and one of them was nearly dead.

Elections in the Cherokee Nation.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 5.—An election was held yesterday in the Cherokee Nation for members of the National Council and Delegates to the Grand Council at Ocknulgee, which meets on the first Monday of December next. The interest of the election rests mainly upon the issues which have sprung up in the nation during the few past years, relative to the establishment of a Territorial Government for the Indian Territory and the allotment of land in severalty. The progressive party believe they have carried the election, but, owing to the remoteness of some of the voting precincts and the absence of the telegraph, the result cannot be ascertained for some days. The new Council of Cherokees will vote to ratify or reject the Constitution which was framed by the Grand Council at Ocknulgee in 1870, and upon this issue the campaign was conducted.

MADISON.

German Protest Against the Saloon-Closing Ordinance.—The Mayor Called Upon to Close All Other Business Places on Sunday.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MADISON, Wis., Aug. 5.—About 150 Germans called together by a hand-bill printed in German, assembled at Turner's Hall last evening, with a few others, less than 200 in all. After a few speeches, in which no excitement was shown except by one man arrested for Sunday liquor selling without license, but in which the conduct of acting Mayor Chapman, in attempting to prevent the sale of liquor on Sunday, was severely condemned, and reflections made on Mayor Gregory, who had before the election promised not to interfere with liquor-selling, resolutions were adopted in substance as follows:

That other State laws and ordinances concerning the observance of the Sabbath, besides those relative to saloons, should be enforced, requesting the Mayor to have notice served on proprietors of steamboats, omnibuses, livery stables, soda fountains, confectioneries, and various establishments, some of which have been open on Sunday, and requesting them to suspend business on that day; that a committee of twenty citizens be appointed to prosecute violations of the Sunday law unless the Mayor takes the responsibility; that a committee of six be appointed to wait on Mayor Gregory when he returns, and inquire his opinion and intentions in regard to this matter.

The meeting also resolved to join the Constitutional Union, lately organized in Milwaukee, and send delegates to its meeting on the 6th, with a view to securing personal liberty and equality to all before the law.

The meeting was mostly composed of beer-venders and their special cronies, few prominent Germans taking part, and the sentiment of the majority of our citizens indorses the Mayor's action.

RAILROADS AND WAREHOUSES.

Stock-Shippers Complain of High Rates.—Deficit in the Chicago Grain

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Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

...RINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 5.—The conference of ...Railroad Commissioners with the gentlemen ...m they had cited before them resulted ...ply in establishing the fact that stock tariffs, ...established by the July schedules of the rail... ...ds, were excessively high when compared ...h the old tariffs. This was the opinion o... ...Joel Dalbey, of this county, the only one of ...stock men present. He is a very intelligent ...tleman, of large experience, and capable of ...ing a reliable opinion.

...Messrs. Oberly and Hart, of the Special Legis... ...tive Committee of Thirteen on Railroad Legislation, were in attendance this afternoon, and it ...derstood that their opinions of the law ...eed mainly with the interpretations so far ...en it in the published opinions of the Com... ...sioners, disclaiming the fact, however, that ... Commissioners had abridged inter-State ...merce, or attempted to d so in any of their ...tions, in which disclaimer the Commission... ...agree. It is probable that much developed ...day will find expression in the schedules un... ...preparation. The Commission meets again ...morrow.

...The Commissioners have been engaged in au... ...ing and approving the monthly bills for the ...n inspection department in Chicago. The ...ounts show a deficit in the cash for June of ...,783.47; for July, $2,460.31. The Commis... ...ers are of the opinion that the department ...ll, from this time forward, be self-sustaining, ...o expense of both the grain and Registers' ...partments for July were $9,989.80.

PACIFIC COAST.

...re Relief Committee for Portland, ...Oregon—Decision in an Important ...Land Case.

...SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—The Mayor of Port... ...nd has appointed a Relief Committee to raise ...nds in aid of the sufferers by the late fire. He ...oints the Committee to seek relief at home ...thout calling upon other committees West or ...st unless absolutely necessary.

...The case of Houghton vs. Surveyor-Gen... ...ardenburg, involving the right of custody of ...Los Animos Land Patent, by Hardenburg, ...s been decided in the Twelfth District Court ...favor of the latter. Houghton will appeal to ...e Supreme Court.

...e Power of Healing—A Singular ...Story.

...SHINGTON, Aug. 5.—A singular report, ...ase from Olney, in this State: Mrs. Powell, ...e of Hon. I. A. Powell, member of the Twen... ...eventh General Assembly, is said to be pos... ...sed of the power to heal and cure all kinds of ...ase, and that she really has performed some ...aculous cures. The power has lately come ...n her, and my informant, who called upon ...her yesterday, says that there were at least ...y women with all kinds of disease in ...her house, and a large number of men out... ...e, all waiting to be administered to. Tele... ...ms and letters are reaching her from all di... ...ions.

...Riotous Negroes Arrested.

...MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 5.—Twenty negroes, ...rged with Ku-Kluxing W. H. Wyatt, in Mad... ...County, Tenn., as reported in these dis... ...hes, have been arrested by citizens, and car... ...into Jackson, where all were admitted to ...n $500 each, except Joe Rice, Monroe Ebo... ...e, Nathan Fair, and Charles Reed, who ...committed without bail. The lynching of ... was a most brutal affair, and the story of ...aving outraged an old negro woman is in... ...ntly denied by the woman herself.

Drowned.

...MPHIS, Aug. 5.—Two sons of David Ken... ...a highly respectable citizen of Henry ...y, aged 18 and 22 years, were drowned in ...est Sandy last Saturday while bathing. ...who could not swim, got into deep water, ...s brother, in attempting to save him, was ...ed in his arms and carried down the river. ...ore, Mich., Aug. 5.—Frank Arnold, an ...izen of Grand Rapids, Mich., was found ...a life canal there yesterday.

Ocean Steamship News.

...LIVERPOOL, Aug. 5.—Steamships City of Bris... ...nnsylvania, Ville de Paris, and Humboldt, ...w York, have arrived out. ...ON, Mass., Aug. 5.—Arrived—Steamship ...s, from Liverpool.

...NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Arrived—Steamships ... and Atlas, from Glasgow; Wyoming, ...Liverpool.

Utah Items.

...SALT LAKE, Aug. 5.—The Territorial election ...off quietly. Outside of the Gentile mine ...s the Mormon is the ticket elected. A ...midous rain storm occurred yesterday ...nsiderable damage.

...Headquarters of the Western Union Tele... ...mpany is moved from Omaha, and es... ...d here.

...r the Benefit of the Portland, ...Oregon, Sufferers.

...PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—A grand reception, prom... ...concert, and ball will be given at the Ocean ...ong Branch, next Saturday evening, for ...efit of the Portland, Ore., sufferers. ...Grant, who was a former resident of ... will be present.

...erican Dental Association.

...ORK, Aug. 5.—The thirteenth annual meet... ...e American Dental Association met ... ...y to-day, at 10 o'clock a. m., Dr. Hunt, ...apolis, President, in the chair. The ...alled, and preliminary business trans... ...here are present about 150, represent... ...s States, and quite a number are still ...

Fatal Fall.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

...PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis., Aug. 5.—Ex-Post Master ...e, of Richmond, Walworth County, ... sixty feet from a windmill yesterday, ...probably fatal injuries.

...rder Denied a New Trial.

...CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—A motion for a new trial ...d to-day and over-ruled by Judge ...e of William Campbell, convicted of ...e of Doyle, mate of the steamer Grand ...

...Vice-President Wilson.

...NATICK, Aug. 5.—Vice-President Wilson was ...day, looking very well. He is improv...

THE FIRE MARSHALSHIP.

Something About the Candidates Spoken of in Connection with the Vacant Office—Wright—Batcham—Benner—Bullwinkle—Sweenie—Agnew, and Dixon—Their Record and Qualifications.

The important position of Fire Marshal has yet to be permanently filled; and, in view of the public interests to be entrusted to the care of the "coming man," all classes of citizens feel anxious about him. The Mayor seems to understand and thoroughly appreciate the fact that the office at his disposal is no ordinary one, and that its many functions cannot be discharged by every man who imagines himself peculiarly fitted for the place. He has prudently deferred making a nomination until he can find a person who is intellectually and physically capable of governing such an important part of the municipal machinery as the Fire Department, and one who has the confidence and respect of the entire community. Several names have already been mentioned, but there seems to be an obstacle in the way of each that is almost insurmountable.

It is understood that the Mayor would be gratified if Col. Levi P. Wright, Police Commissioner, would accept the nomination. That gentleman, however, has positively declined the honor, being, as he himself expresses it, "too old and too fat to rush around after fires now." If the law could be changed so that the Chief Marshal would not be compelled to attend fires outside of a limited district,—the business portion of the city, for instance,—unless summoned by a second alarm, the probability is the Colonel would take the place.

Ex-Ald. W. B. Batcham is also understood to be another of the Mayor's favorites for Marshal, he having been a fireman of some distinction in his younger days, and at all times a man of strict habits and unimpeachable integrity. But he doesn't hanker after the position. Like Col. Wright, he says he is "old and rather stiff," and it wouldn't do for him to go climbing ladders except in an emergency. If the head of the Department was not bound by law to answer every alarm, he might take the place, and devote his time principally to the financial portion of the duties.

The objections raised by these two gentlemen are suggestive of a paragraph which may be of interest to those who read it. Chicago is about the only city in the country which compels the Chief Marshal of the Fire Department to rush off every time the fire-bell rings, night or day. In every other first-class city the Assistant Marshals are supposed to be capable of handling an incipient fire or a smoky chimney, and the principal officer, unless in the event of a second alarm, never attends a fire outside of the business portion. Under this rule he is always present to take charge of his men and apparatus where a head is most needed. Under the rule which obtains in this city, the Chief Marshal and his assistant may be scouring on a fire at the South Side limits while another and more dangerous one is in progress in the heart of the business section.

The third man who is prominently named in connection with the Chief Marshalship is Matthias Benner, the First Assistant Marshal, who is now temporarily filling the vacancy caused by the removal of Williams. His chances are rather slim, however, as the Mayor seems determined not to appoint a member of the Department. Benner, though a comparatively young man, is a fireman of fifteen years' experience, and during the greater portion of that time has held positions of trust and responsibility. He has been an Assistant Marshal for years, and carried the Department on his shoulders when its late head was not in the best possible condition to manage it. His friends, and their name is legion, include prominent citizens and the entire Fire Department. They are working diligently to secure his appointment, basing his claims on his record for efficiency, on his strictly temperate habits, and on the manner in which he extinguished the fire in the Singer Block the other evening.

Ben Bullwinkle, the Captain of the Fire Insurance Patrol, is also an aspirant to the position, and is strongly backed by the Board of Underwriters. The insurance men claim that he is by all odds the best and most reliable fireman in the city, and are leaving no stone untturned to secure his elevation to the Marshalship. Delegations of them have waited on the Mayor day after day since the vacancy was created, and he has listened patiently to them while they dilated on the merits of their favorite. It did seem at one time as if His Honor would send Bullwinkle's name to the Council, but he refrained when he learned that a number of Aldermen would oppose him on the ground of inexperience. He may yet receive the nomination, however. Bullwinkle's fitness in connection with the Fire Department dates back six or seven years. He drove U. P. Harris' wagon, and when Williams was made Marshal, he drove his. He was a driver when the Board of Underwriters conceived the idea of organizing an Insurance Patrol similar to those in Eastern cities, and through the influence of Williams and others he was made Captain of the Company. He gathered around him at the start some of the best men connected with the Fire Department, and with their assistance placed the Patrol on an efficient footing. It has grown in usefulness ever since, and is to-day one of the best organizations of the kind in the country. It is almost unnecessary to tell the people of Chicago that the duty of the Patrol is to rescue goods from a burning building, to cover with tarpaulins such goods as they cannot rescue, and to take charge of and sweep out the building when the Fire Department leaves it. Beyond this, it has no connection with a fire. The Underwriters feel proud of Bullwinkle for the services he has rendered them, and will make the city reward him if possible.

Dennis J. Sweenie, foreman of a North Side engine company, is mentioned in connection with the position. He was Chief Marshal of the old Volunteer Department, and managed the Paid Department for a short time after its organization. He has devoted nearly his whole life to the business, and understands it thoroughly.

Mr. Frank Agnew, it is understood, has also entered the field, and is supported by strong recommendations. He is one of the old-time firemen, and is the President of the Volunteer Firemen's Association. It is hard to tell what show he stands, if any, but as he is an exceedingly practical man, and a builder of good reputation, his claims are likely to meet with a respectful hearing.

Last, but by no means least, comes Detective Joe Dixon. His object in desiring to drop the hand-cuffs and pick up the trumpet is imperfectly understood at this writing, but that does not alter the fact that he is a candidate for Marshal. His name has been brought to the attention of the Mayor by men of high standing in the community, who seem to think that the practical qualities which he possesses will carry him through His Honor's office and through the Council with flying colors.

The suspense cannot last long now. An appointment will have to be made next Monday evening, as the Mayor promised it in his communication to the Council on the removal of Williams. There is no means of ascertaining the name likely to be thrown on the cold charities of the Aldermen, for the mouth of him who sits in the executive chair is closed, even like an oyster, on the subject, and the statements of others are nothing but mere conjectures, dictated in nearly every instance by personal feeling. All that can be done is to wait.

MR. H. NORTON'S COMPLAINT.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: As your reporter, in his minutes of proceedings in the Hyde Park Board last Saturday, did not quite correctly state the facts relative to my complaint, noted therein, I ask a little space to set him and others right in the matter.

There was no mention made in my communication of No. 828 Cottage Grove avenue, nor any complaint of the sanitary condition of No. 826, as far as I recollect. The back yard of this latter number is unfortunately situated, being surrounded on two sides by premises having no yards, a part of whose tenants, despite repeated cautions, have thrown their kitchen-garbage upon this lot. Added to this, there are six or seven privies in close proximity, adjoining or on the line of No. 826, not one of which has been thoroughly disinfected the present season; and one must have catarrh very badly indeed if he can escape suffering from the stench they have created. After burying the refuse matter intruded upon us by the lawlessness of neighbors, and enduring the utmost inconvenience to escape this stench,—sleeping with closed windows in the hottest nights, dosing with drugs to keep the stomach from revolting, and in various ways inflicting self-torment in the hope of escaping worse suffering,—I make no apology for invoking the hand of authority as a last resort. From my own premises not an ounce of garbage has been thrown out this season; everything is consumed. The privy belonging to the lot has been repeatedly disinfected, and every precaution taken to guard against filth and consequent sickness. If others in the vicinity had been equally careful, there would have been no occasion of complaint; and I cannot see that the fact of my being a comparative stranger in this locality will exonerate any one from the discharge of a recognized duty, to protect his neighbors against suffering from his neglect. I disclaim all malice in the matter, and can afford to abide the calm judgment of an intelligent community.

H. NORTON,
826 COTTAGE GROVE AVENUE, Aug. 5, 1873.

NECROLOGY.

Meeting of the Health Board—3?2? Deaths Last Week, 30 Less than Preceding Week—Nuisances Abated—Sanitary Superintendent Miller Begins His Duties.

At the meeting of the Board of Health, yesterday afternoon, Dr. John Reid, Health Officer and Acting Sanitary Superintendent, presented his mortality report for the week ending Aug. 2. The total number of deaths was 322, a decrease of 30 from the preceding week. The principal causes of death had been cholera infantum and convulsions. Of the former there had been 96 fatal cases, and of the latter, 39. Diarrhea carried off 26, and cholera-morbus 11. The number of infants under one year who died was 167. The mean thermometer for the week has been 74 degrees. The wards having the greatest mortality were the Sixth, with 31 deaths; the Seventh, with 40; the Eighth, with 23; the Ninth, with 15; the Fifteenth, with 49; the Sixteenth, with 38; the Seventeenth, with 23; the Eighteenth, with 24. The number of deaths in the remaining wards ranged from one in the First to ten in the Eleventh. There had been 11 deaths from small-pox during the week, and 24 new cases of small-pox and varioloid had been reported.

The weekly report of the Health Officer showed that 594 nuisance notices had been served, and 578 nuisances abated. The sewer notices served number 31, and the sewer connections made, 81. A large quantity of beef, cheese, eggs, and vegetables had been condemned as unfit for use. The report had a good word to say for the scavenger contractors and the Bridgeport slaughter-houses.

The Health Officer had personally examined the district south of Van Buren street and west of Ashland avenue, and found it so thickly peopled that he deems it necessary to extend the tri-weekly scavenger service over the district.

Dr. Reid also presented a mortality report for the month of July. It showed the number of deaths to have been 1,502, 475 of which were from cholera infantum, 39 from cholera morbus, and 93 from diarrhea. The increase over the number of deaths in the month of June was 844. The cases of small-pox during the month numbered 143.

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H. NORTON,
826 COTTAGE GROVE AVENUE, Aug. 5, 1873.

NECROLOGY.

Meeting of the Health Board—3?2? Deaths Last Week, 30 Less than Preceding Week—Nuisances Abated—Sanitary Superintendent Miller Begins His Duties.

At the meeting of the Board of Health, yesterday afternoon, Dr. John Reid, Health Officer and Acting Sanitary Superintendent, presented his mortality report for the week ending Aug. 2. The total number of deaths was 322, a decrease of 30 from the preceding week. The principal causes of death had been cholera infantum and convulsions. Of the former there had been 96 fatal cases, and of the latter, 39. Diarrhea carried off 26, and cholera-morbus 11. The number of infants under one year who died was 167. The mean thermometer for the week has been 74 degrees. The wards having the greatest mortality were the Sixth, with 31 deaths; the Seventh, with 40; the Eighth, with 23; the Ninth, with 15; the Fifteenth, with 49; the Sixteenth, with 38; the Seventeenth, with 23; the Eighteenth, with 24. The number of deaths in the remaining wards ranged from one in the First to ten in the Eleventh. There had been 11 deaths from small-pox during the week, and 24 new cases of small-pox and varioloid had been reported.

The weekly report of the Health Officer showed that 594 nuisance notices had been served, and 578 nuisances abated. The sewer notices served number 31, and the sewer connections made, 81. A large quantity of beef, cheese, eggs, and vegetables had been condemned as unfit for use. The report had a good word to say for the scavenger contractors and the Bridgeport slaughter-houses.

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The divorce shysters are playing some clever little tricks upon the Clerks of the Court, with a view of earning an extra V for a case which their ingenious mendacity cause to be suppressed and withheld for service. Their recent devices are, however, too transparent to be effective, and, if they wish to succeed in their noble work, they must invent some fresher excuse than the time-honored "Just to get service, you know" one, which the Clerks say is getting quite played out.

A few days ago it was stated that Reuben Fuerstner, a nephew of the jeweler Kroheberg, and who worked in his store, had taken about $5,000 worth of property and left. The *Staats-Zeitung* publishes a letter from this young man, written at Plymouth, Ind., in which he says the, having worked long and well for his uncle, having been ill-treated, poorly fed, and ill clad, he was informed that he was to receive only $8 per month. Then he determined to help himself, and took $90, with which he left. He denies the charges that he was dissipated, and claims that he had no money to be dissipated with.

Yesterday morning, about 1 o'clock, a fistic encounter took place in Ryan's saloon, a low groggery at No. 558 South Clark street. Magee, a combatant, was severely pumeled. Being pursued by some of the drunken wretches, he fled toward Taylor street, where he met a friend, Joseph Webber, who turned upon the mob, and struck at the leader. Dan McCarthy, a brutal specimen of humanity, stepped forward, and plunged a knife into Webber's body three times. The wounds are, however, hardly skin deep. The assassins then ran off. No arrests were made.

There is talk of putting an elegant Mansard roof on the Singer Building, and, if Messrs Field, Leiter & Co. do not interpose any objections, it will in all probability be done. Mr. Jennison, the architect, and Mr. McKenzie, Vice President of the Singer Company, who is coming on from New York for the purpose of examining the building, will arrange the matter between them, subject, of course, to the approval of the other owners and lessees. If it is decided to build a Mansard, it will be constructed of iron, two stories, or forty feet, in height, and will add $50,000 or $60,000 to the cost of the building. It will also add to its beauty, for, as it stands now, it looks squatty and ill-shaped.

A meeting was held yesterday afternoon by a number of gentlemen, at No. 142 LaSalle street, for considering the scheme of raising $120,000 and the right of way from Thornton to the City Limits for the Chicago, Danville & Vincennes Railroad. Mr. J. W. Carrington presided, and Mr. John W. Roberts acted as Secretary. The Committee appointed at the last meeting to solicit subscriptions and petition for the right of way reported that they had raised nearly the whole amount, and asked for further time, whereupon the meeting adjourned to meet again Thursday afternoon, when a final report will be made.

On Sundays Lincoln Park is made the northern terminus of several competing omnibus lines, and, as the amount of travel cannot support them and the street-car company, too, the managers of each are driven to their wits' ends to defeat the others. The latest dodge was put into effect last Sunday. It consisted of closing the omnibus doors so that no one could get in or out, and, before the vehicle could be released, the opposition line would have secured a full load and gone on its way rejoicing. Several men were employed by each company to do the chaining, and the thing, which was at first amusing, became such a nuisance after a while that a Police Sergeant had to put a stop to it. One man was arrested, and yesterday morning fined $25.

About twenty of the creditors of F. B. Gardner met yesterday afternoon in the office of Walker, Dexter & Smith, for the purpose of devising means to recover from his assets. A committee consisting of L. J. Gage, of the First National Bank; Jared Gage, of the Fidelity Savings Bank; and Henry W. King, of the Commercial National Bank, was appointed to take charge of the affairs of the creditors, and have the general direction of them until further action is taken by the creditors as a whole. The Committee will investigate and report at a subsequent meeting to be called by itself. The three different classes of indebtedness, viz: the F. B. Gardner class, the F. B. Gardner & Co. class, and the F. B. Gardner Company class, are represented on the Committee. A resolution was passed requesting those creditors who have not yet handed in their claims to do so immediately to any member of the Committee, in order that an accurate statement of the liabilities may be secured. Mr. Gardner's suspension is generally looked upon as a temporary misfortune, which will be gotten over in a short time with discreet management.

The Chicago Amateur Dramatic Club is among the many things which local enterprise and talent have reared up in the city. Started only a few weeks ago, its acting members now number seven ladies and thirty gentlemen, and it is intended to augment the club by several other additions before the Association takes "full boards." It is understood that the labors of the club shall not be confined to the representation of theatricals alone. They will take a wider field; and purpose, during the winter months, giving balls, parties, and other equally popular entertainments, conducted in such a manner as to give satisfaction to the most fastidious, and pleasure to all. As has been previously announced, the proceeds of each entertainment will be given for charitable purposes; and if it were only for this alone, the Dramatic Club should have the good wishes, sympathy, and support of every citizen. There will be a meeting of the ladies and gentlemen held at the club rooms of the Grand Pacific this evening, when business of an important character, including the selection of plays, the renting of permanent quarters, the initiation of members, etc., etc., will be disposed of.

THOSE CONSTABLES.

The following petition was presented to the County Commissioners yesterday morning by the so-called legal Constables of Cook County:

To the Honorable the County Board of Cook County, State of Illinois:

It is a well-known fact that there are at present in Cook County, particularly in Chicago, many persons falsely pretending to hold the office of Constable, and who are daily and without color of right acting as such. That the disfavor resting upon inferior courts is directly and alone attributable to these pretenders. Their long immunity from prosecution has emboldened them in their lawless courses until they have at last become intolerable—until every good citizen demands their immediate and vigorous prosecution.

The most summary manner of ridding the community of these pests is by a direct proceeding in the Criminal Court by quo warranto, to oust them from office and by fine to punish them.

Now, therefore, inasmuch as the time of our State's Attorney, the Hon. Charles H. Reed, is entirely occupied in the prosecution of less deserving criminals, we, the undersigned, as a committee from the society of lawfully elected Constables of Cook County, respectfully ask that your honorable body authorize the Hon. James P. Root, our able County Attorney, to assist the said Charles H. Reed in the prosecution of all such spurious Constables wherever they may be found in said county.

J. M. MOORE, Chairman.
HENRY BARR, Secretary.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

The following is the report of the workings of the Illinois Humane Society for the month of July:

Number of horses killed that were abandoned by owners who could not be found, 6; number of arrests, 18; amount of fines, $156; number of horses taken from wagons, not being fit for service, where it was thought best not to prosecute, 16; number of cases reported and attended to at the office, 30.

The above report does not include the many persons admonished and reasoned with in behalf of their ill-treated and over-worked animals. Attention has been called to fifty or sixty cases where talking kindly, and reading or presenting copies of the laws relating to cruelty, have had the desired effect.

Gumbo Soup.

Drop in to Anderson's and see their tempting bill of fare. Everything served to suit the wishes of patrons. If anything is wished for not on the bill of fare it can be served to order. Private dinners served at any hour of the day. Gumbo soup a la Creole to-day at Anderson's European Restaurant, 143 and 145 Madison street.

Security Savings Bank.

A new bank has just opened at No. 95 Clark street. The stockholders present a large list of prominent men, nearly all manufacturers. If names have any influence in business, it ought to succeed. Its officers and Directors are men well known and very capable of managing its affairs successfully.

The gossip at Cape May now says that "Lord Massey" *was* a son of the Duke of Leeds, but not entitled to wear the family name or share in its honors.

BEHIND THE TROTTERS.

A Drive Along the Lake Shore—Catalogue of the Horses and Their Owners.

There is no rose without a thorn; no advantage without some corresponding disadvantage. When the Lincoln Park Commissioners decided to allow the "speeding" of horses on the Lake Shore drive they conferred a boon on the owners of fast horses. But they could not let the speeding continue without abridging the pleasure of those they made happy in some way. Tuesday and Friday are days in the week to which the owners of fast horse-flesh look forward attentively. From 5 until 8 o'clock some of the fastest horses and handsomest rigs may be seen on the Lake Shore drive, their owners enjoying with full appreciation the keenest and most exciting of sport. On Tuesday and Friday evenings, from 4:30 until 6:30, the imaginative driver of the romantic sprinkler urges his fiery untamed steeds up and down the track, pausing only to refill his reservoir and prepare for fresh mud-making. And when the track is one mass of watery mire, then, triumphant in the thought that he has ministered copiously to the discomfort of everybody, the imaginative driver withdraws from the ground. As a consequence of his highly intelligent performance, the ground is nearly ruined for the time being. At a gentle trot, the mud splashes over the driver; when a burst of speed is attempted, a shower of mud, gravel, and water breaks upon the unhappy occupant of the wagon, and his garments are quickly encased in an armor of slime. The flying fragments of stone sting the horses and terrify them; they break up, and all interest in a brush is lost. The ladies, of whom there are always many out behind fast horses or in showy carriages, are the greatest sufferers, and many a piece of ruined dry goods bears witness to the stupidity of the parties responsible for the sprinkling. Let it be done in the morning. By evening the ground will be in excellent condition.

Yesterday was no exception to the general rule. There was a very large number of owners of fast stock on the track, and nearly every one more or less spattered with mud. Among those observed were Parker Mason, Mr. Ellis, President of the Second National Bank; Mr. King, with a famous little bay mare; W. B. Gould, with a spanking team; L. C. Beardsley, with the Taylor mare; Harry Milligan, with a rattling chestnut horse; J. W. Blaisdell and James Padgett, each with a stylish rig and a stepper; James Dole, with a fast team; Harry Fox, with a trotter that woke the boys; Pat Morgan, with a tall young horse which will make a trotter before long; John Dupee, and a host of others. There were two or three pony carriages, one of which, containing two ladies, a vivid

MONEY AND COMMERCE

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, Aug. 5.

Bankers report a more active demand for currency from the country. Country correspondents are preparing to move the crops, and that its influence should be felt thus early is a hopeful and a healthy symptom. It shows a disposition to send forward our splendid crop, and not wait till all the avenues of transit are overtaxed, as they are quite sure to be a few weeks later in the season. Of course, our city banks are only too glad to respond to all the calls thus far made, for their vaults have been overburthened with currency for several weeks. City customers do not as yet seem to find much use for money, many of them paying up their paper even before it is due.

While our banks and several lines of the wholesale trade are exceedingly easy, we hear that among smaller dealers there is very considerable stringency. Collections for them have not been good; but, with the general ease, this state of things cannot continue beyond many weeks.

The types yesterday made the legal rate of interest as given in this column 11 per cent. Every one, of course, could readily make the correction. Surely 10 per cent is high enough. It is nominal at that; for some of the banks would be glad of considerable parcels of short gilt-edged at 1@8 per cent below the legal rate.

Exchange, under the slightly increased demand for currency, is not quite so firm. Par was about the rate between banks, though in some cases 25c per $1,000 premium may have been obtained.

The prospects of an active trade for the remainder of the season seem very favorable. Warned by the stringency of the last fall and winter, country merchants have bought sparingly, and stocks on hand are not large. They will doubtless make liberal purchases so soon as they see that prices of produce and a comparatively easy money market render it safe to do so. It will be well, however, for both country and city dealers to move cautiously, and not to lay in larger stocks than the real wants of the people will warrant.

The news in our dispatches this morning, that work had been commenced on the several sections of the Welland Canal, will be received with great satisfaction all over the Northwest. The cost of laying down our cereals in the docks of Liverpool is excessively oppressive upon our people. Our production would be almost indefinitely were we able to rely upon reasonable rates of transit to the markets of Europe. Our people will, therefore, watch with the greatest interest the enlargement of the Welland Canal; and, if the Canadians on the St. Lawrence canals are enlarged to correspond, the Northwest can secure the Canadian route all the business it can possibly do. Half-a-dozen lines like Ireland's and Sir Hugh Allan's will be at once needed to do the business.

THE BETTS FAILURE.

The New York *Times* of the 3d has the following in regard to the failure of John A. Betts:

The bankrupt petition was not filed by creditors, but by the bankrupt himself, the immediate cause of failure being inability to take up notes indorsed for the accommodation of the late E. S. Mills, a partner of Betts in certain real estate transactions. The petition filed in the United States Courts contains a list of all debts, with the securities thereon, and a general statement of the petitioner's assets. The liabilities, as shown in the petition, are as follows:

Loans secured by mortgage on Brooklyn property	$592,500
Unsecured debts	54,000
Accommodation paper indorsed	67,812
Total	$554,312

The assets are claimed to amount to $900,000; they include twenty-six and twenty-seven lots in the City of Brooklyn, the value of which is set down at $285,000. The personal property is valued at $1,200; debts and claims, $4,100; and two railroad bonds, therein specified, deposited with the Trust Company, worth about $1,200. Mr. Betts also claims one-half the net amount to be realized by the sale of five houses on Clinton street, between Union and Sackett streets, owned jointly by the petitioner and the estate of E. S. Mills.

The Brooklyn Trust Company is a creditor to the amount of $47,000, which is secured by mortgages on real estate claimed to be worth $85,000. A further loan of $1,200 is secured by first mortgage bonds of the Central branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, bearing a face value of $1,200, the amount of the loan. The real estate, which is security for $55,000 of the loan, will be contracted on Feb. 1, 1873, consists of five houses on Wyckoff street, near Sixth avenue, South Brooklyn. A loan of $12,000 is secured by mortgage on property on Fulton street, near Sackett street. Of the accommodation paper, all the notes, with the exception of $2,000, were indorsed either by Betts for the accommodation of Mills, or by them jointly. The unsecured debts of one dollar city of mechanics' bills for material and work on the houses erected by Mr. Betts. Among his heaviest creditors are Frederick A. Platt, who loaned him $101,000 on mortgages on real estate; C. S. Lowery, $75,000, similarly secured, and E. J. Beach, $21,000, also secured by mortgage.

In New York money continues very abundant. The *Financial Chronicle* reports the market as follows on the 2d:

There is an abundance of money loanable on call in this market, and rates are generally 3@4 per cent according to the collateral offered; but on time loans extending beyond the 1st of October, there is, as above noticed, much caution exercised, and rates are ranging up to 7 per cent for 90 days, and 7 gold for the balance of this year. This feature is a desire on the part of lenders to protect themselves against the possibilities of a very stringent money market in the later autumn months, though it can furnish no evidence, of course, that a stringency similar to that of last year is certain to come upon our market. In commercial paper business has been moderate on a basis of 6 to 7 per cent for prime names, at 60 days, and 7 to 8 per cent for paper running three to four months, a reluctance to purchase long date paper, even at the higher figures, being decidedly noticeable.

LOCAL RATES

are reported by Lunt, Preston & Kean, at the following figures:

	Buying.	Selling.
5-20s of '62	116¾	117
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5-20s of '65, regular	118¼	118½
5-20s of '65, Jan. and July	117¾	117¾
5-20s of '67, Jan. and July, ex. int	118¾	118¾
5-20s of '68, Jan. and July	117¾	118
10-40s	114½	115
U. S. new issue	114½	114¾
Gold (full weight)	115¼	115¾
Gold Coupons	115	115¼
Gold Exchange	115½	115¾
Sterling Exchange	109@109¼	
Northern Pacific Gold 7-30s	100	& int.
Chicago City 7s	100	& int.
Cook County 7s	100	& int.
Illinois County and Township 10s	95@98	
Money on approved collaterals	8@10	₱ ct.

CONNECTICUT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

The following condensed table gives the size of the companies, and the amount of life and accident business transacted in the State last year:

No.	Paid-up capital.	Gross assets, Jan. 1, '73.
Connecticut companies (including one mutual)	$1,865,056	$ 78,871,899
Companies of other States (including six mutual)	4,004,110	172,766,987

The condition of the Connecticut life companies may be thus tabulated:

	Gross. ass. Dec. 31, '72.	Gross liab'y Dec. 31, '72.
Ætna	$17,592,504	$16,759,938
American Nat'l Life and Trust	241,936	228,836
Charter Oak	10,795,092	10,579,603
Connecticut General	911,743	677,667
Connecticut Mutual	34,936,141	29,978,362
Continental	2,318,975	2,271,199
Hartford Life and Annuity	740,852	404,047
Phœnix Mutual	8,048,070	7,451,159
Travelers	2,231,709	1,615,972
Railway Passengers	446,908	83,626
Total	$78,871,840	$70,367,409

ANOTHER BOND CASE.

Several important legal principles are likely to be settled in a new bond case, the points in which we take from the St. Paul *Pioneer*. That journal of the 3d says:

A suit has been commenced in the United States Circuit Court by N. A. Cowdrey, of New York, against the City of Winona to recover $10,827, with interest. The plaintiff alleges that the City of Winona, in 1870, issued to Russell Sage and others nine bonds of $1,000 each. In aid of the St. Paul & Chicago Railway that the same were duly transferred to the plaintiff, and that the over-due coupons have not been paid. The suit is, therefore, brought to recover the amount, $10,827.

The answer to the complaint sets forth that the City of Winona made the bonds for the benefit of the Minnesota Railway Construction Company, for $100,000, obligating the City of Winona to pay to Russell Sage and others, or bearer, that amount; that at the time the Minnesota Railway Construction Company was engaged in constructing the St. Paul & Chicago Railroad; that the Construction Company and the City of Winona entered into certain contracts, which is set out, and that in pursuance of that contract the bonds were made; that the bonds were delivered to Horace Thompson, of the First National Bank of the city, to be held in trust and to be delivered according to the terms of the contract, and not to be delivered till the terms of the contract had been complied with; that the Construction Company was composed of Russell Sage, President; Henry Keep, James H. Benedict, W. S. Gurnee, John M. Burke, Fred P. James, Henry H. Baxter, Samuel Stone, James Buell, George G. Scott, Selah Chamberlain, Alexander Mitchell, and the city of Winona, the defendant, except Henry Keep, still form the Company. That on the 27th of March, 1872, the Company, by Russell Sage, intending to injure, cheat, and defraud the defendant, and privately, and without the knowledge of the defendant, and without the conditions of the contract being complied with, applied to Horace Thompson for the bonds and coupons, and the said Thompson wrongfully and illegally, and without giving notice to the defendant, delivered said bonds and coupons to the said Construction Company, or to Russell Sage, President of the said Company, and the Company fraudulently and illegally converted the bonds to its own use, and have ever since refused to deliver them to the said

National Bank, the depository of them, though often requested to so return them. That the Construction Company has not completed with the contract, and built and equipped a good and substantial railway from St. Paul to Winona, and put it into operation, nor has it connected the said railway at Winona by bridge or ferry with the LaCrosse, Trempealeau & Prescott Railroad; that the plaintiff knew all these facts and the terms of the contract, and the terms and conditions on which said bonds and coupons were deposited with Horace Thompson, and has all the while known that no person has legally entitled to take said bonds from said depositary. He also knew that the depositary had no right to deliver them to any person except the defendant, and that when they were obtained he knew that they were illegally and fraudulently obtained, and that the defendant was not liable thereon, and that the bonds were obtained for a purpose of cheating and defrauding the defendant; that the defendant never delivered or authorized to be delivered the bonds and coupons, and that the defendant has never received any consideration for the bonds; that the plaintiff well knew all these facts and acted with full knowledge of them. We have not thought it desirable to set forth the terms of the contract spoken of, as the allegations and denials of the answer sufficiently indicate the points in the case.

From the Davenport Gazette, Aug. 2.

NEW RAILROAD CONNECTION IN PROSPECT.

It is understood that some important negotiations, in which our city is interested, are taking place with reference to renewal of operations on that portion of the Southwestern Railway, from Clinton to Davenport and Rock Island—the proposed crossing of the Southwestern and the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Minnesota—and Iowa City. The Clinton *Herald* says that "if the proposition of the contractor is accepted by the Joliet Company, we may look for a completion of the two end sections of the Southwestern within ninety days, while the gap between the two sections will be soon to follow within a reasonable length of time."

WATER ROUTE FROM THE OHIO TO THE ATLANTIC.

Our readers have been informed of the scheme to deplete the Treasury of the nation by making a canal and slackwater navigation from the Ohio to the Atlantic. To make this available, a great difficulty must be overcome—the expenditure of the untold millions it would cost to build it. The nation cannot command the clouds to supply it with water. It would surely be useless many months in the year were the hundred millions wasted in its construction. On this project, the Evansville *Journal* condenses an article from the New Orleans *Times*, and makes some pertinent remarks. We quote:

The route of the Atlantic & Great Western Canal is up the Tennessee River from the mouth, where that river joins the Ohio, to Guntersville, 218 miles, thence by a canal, 35 miles in length, to the Coosa River, near Rome, Georgia, and from thence, for the Mobile Branch, by the Coosa, the Black Warrior, and the Alabama Rivers to Mobile Bay, 700 miles; and for the Brunswick Branch, from the Coosa, at Rome, by canal, 211 miles to Hawkinsville, on the Ockmulgee, and thence to Darien, by the Ockmulgee and Altamaha, 96 miles. From Darien, inside the Sea Islands, 160 miles. From Paducah to Mobile the distance would be 958 miles; to Brunswick, 954; and to Savannah, 1,094. So far as distance is concerned, it is plain that it is nearer from Paducah to either of these three places than to New Orleans, by the Mississippi, and nearer to New York or Liverpool from either of them than from New Orleans. This point may be conceded, as well as the fact that it would be much cheaper to ship by such a route than by all rail to New York.

But the interesting part of the subject is not reached until a dive is made among the figures growing out of estimates by a competent engineer. Look at them:

Canal from Guntersville to the Coosa River	$11,570,607
Improving the Coosa	100,000
From Rome to Macon on the Ockmulgee	20,435,584
From Macon to Darien	2,500,000
Darien to Brunswick	1,100,000
Total from Paducah to Brunswick	$36,606,291

Nothing in the article before us is set down for improving the Tennessee River, so as to obviate the difficulties at Muscle Shoals and other places, nor is the cost from Rome to Mobile given; but it is safe to regard $50,000,000 as the inside figure for completing the two branches on the basis of the engineer's estimates.

These figures, it should be borne in mind, are simply estimates. The actual cost, if the work were undertaken by the Government, would not be less than the amount multiplied by two. That, at any rate, has been the experience in all such cases. Of course, if the Government undertakes to build one of these canals, it must undertake similar projects at other points, to the extent of half a dozen at least. To our certain knowledge three or four have already been named, all with equal claims, not one of which can be built without carrying with it the necessity of improving the navigation of the Ohio, the Cumberland, the Tennessee, the Mississippi, and all their tributaries. Congress cannot discriminate, but must be equally liberal to all. The Missouri and Illinois people will have to be improved from St. Paul and Fort Benton to New Orleans; the waters of Lake Michigan and the Mississippi will have to be united by a ship-canal; there will have to be another ship-canal around Niagara Falls; all the New York canals will have to be enlarged and made free, and so on to the end of the chapter.

If, therefore, one of these projects costs $50,000,000, it is safe to declare that it would require an increase of the national debt to the amount of $500,000,000 to finish all those that would necessarily follow the construction of any one. There would be nothing saving to enter upon a policy involving such an expenditure and such a burdensome increase of the debt of the nation, but we are confident they are few. Altogether, the subject, while it will bear discuss, is not certainly, as a practical measure, looked at in its length and breadth at this cost alone, a matter for pleasant contemplation.

REAL ESTATE.

The following instruments were filed for record on Tuesday, Aug. 5:

CITY PROPERTY.

Canal st, n w cor of Liberty st, e f, 49¾x115¾ ft, dated Aug. 4; consideration, $9,000.

Burling st, 149¾ ft s of Willow st, w f, 24x130 ft, dated July 31; consideration, $725.

Ogden av, bet Polk and Taylor sts, s o f, 72 ft to alley, dated Aug. 1; consideration, $6,000.

West Twentieth st, 100 ft w of Wood st, n f, 25x126 ft, dated Aug. 4; consideration, $825.

Lots 9 and 10, in Kenny's Lots 68 and 69, in McElroy's w ½ of s w ¼, Sec 1, 39, 13, dated Aug. 4; consideration, $384.

Erie st, n w cor of Cass st, s f, 50 ft to alley, dated July 31; consideration, $12,500.

Lincoln st, bet Monroe and Adams sts, w f, Lot 13, dated April 25; consideration, $4,500.

Lot 23 in Block 8, Ashland Addition, dated Aug. 1; consideration, $5,000.

Lot 8 of Block 2 of R. J. Hamilton's w ¼ of s ¼ (except 2¾ chains) of n w ¼ Sec. 18, 39, 14, dated July 5; consideration, $4,000.

Vernon av, 200 ft s of Thirty-sixth st, w f, 88x132 ft, dated Aug. 5; consideration, $8,000.

Mohawk st, 199½ ft s of Centre st, e f, 25x127 ft, dated Aug. 5; consideration, $1,000.

Burling st, bet 19-10 ft n of Webster av, w f, 48x125 ft, dated July 29; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 38 to 43, in Block 1, of Race & Pearson's Subdivision, in s e ¼ Sec. 23, 39, 13, dated Aug. 4; consideration, $3,000.

Lots 4, 5 and 6, in Block 3, in Wright's Addition, dated July 25; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 38 to 43, in Block 1, of Race & Pearson's Subdivision, in s e ¼ Sec. 23, 39, 13, dated Aug. 4; consideration, $3,000.

Lots 4, 5 and 6, in Block 3, in Wright's Addition, dated July 25; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 4 to 9, in same Block, dated July 5, 1872; consideration, $27,500.

Lot 24 and n ½ ft of Lot 40, in Gano's part of Block 10, Sec. 33, 39, 14, dated June 30; consideration, $900.

Park av, w of and near Lincoln st, n f, 27½ ft to alley, dated July 8; consideration, $4,125.

Emerald av, 22 ft s of Thirty-seventh st, e f, 24 ft to alley, dated Aug. 5; consideration, $662.

Emerald av, 46 ft s of Thirty-seventh st, e f, 24 ft to alley, dated Aug. 5; consideration, $662.

NORTH-SIDE CITY LIMITS.

Babetta st, 297 ft e of Racine av, n f, 50x124¾ ft, dated Oct. 1, 1872; consideration, $1,400.

Burling st, 149¾ ft n of Webster av, w f, 48x125 ft, dated July 29; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 16 to 18, in Block 1, of Castle's sub-div, in Sec 3, 39, 13, dated Aug. 1; consideration, $1,500.

WEST OF CITY LIMITS.

State st, e f, 292x169 ft, in White's part of n ¾ Sec 9, 39, 14; dated July 8; consideration, $1,800.

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Aug. 5.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in Chicago during the past twenty-four hours, and for the corresponding date one year ago:

	RECEIPTS.		SHIPMENTS.	
	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.
Flour, brls	6,104	2,677	4,056	479
Wheat, bu	31,020	44,301	4,021	133,950
Corn, bu	161,760	230,425	326,545	191,077
Oats, bu	38,140	14,615	33,896	9,650
Rye, bu	3,150	2,150	787	7,460
Barley, bu	800	950	400	800
Grass seed, lbs	69,000	22,920	25,725	11,604
Flax seed, lbs		19,000		
Broom-corn, lbs	4,000	78,000	12,800	7,100
Cured meats, lbs	23,560	47,450	530,940	
Beef, brls			20	10
Pork, brls	65	179	63	20
Lard, lbs	5,300	210	2,310	28,008
Tallow, lbs	8,930	1,470		
Butter, lbs	81,675	58,462	29,659	72,270
Live hogs, No	6,435	6,768	6,983	8,259
Cattle, No	1,204	2,761	2,772	2,050
Sheep, No	372	433		
Hides, lbs	33,670	54,476	25,280	61,097
Highwines, brls	20	520	100	24
Wool, lbs	221,000	166,100	151,201	30,200
Potatoes, bu	1,440	2,033		26
Lumber, m feet	14,649	5,542	2,055	1,604
Shingles, m	2,420	950	1,057	1,107
Lath, m	1,219	351	227	195
Salt, brls	14,427		2,259	915

Withdrawn from store yesterday for city consumption: 8,188 bu wheat; 1,680 bu corn; 708 bu rye; 1,386 bu barley.

[illegible] has been inspected into store this morning up to 10 o'clock: 47¾ cars wheat; 271 cars corn; 4,500 bu high mixed do, and 11,000 bu No. 2 do, by canal; 26 cars oats, 6¾ cars rye, 1 car barley. Total (352 cars), 154,000 bu.

The leading produce markets were generally quiet to-day, even as compared with yesterday, there being almost no disposition to trade, except in corn. The feeling all round was firm, though dull, being principally owing to a reduction in the volume of receipts. Shipments were liberal, except in wheat. The continued fine weather is the subject of much remark, but can scarcely be said to help trade, though pleasant enough to the traders.

Sales of domestic dry goods made a respectable aggregate, and former quotations were generally well maintained. New goods suitable for the fall trade are now arriving daily, and stocks will soon be complete in all departments. The grocery market was without new features. Business is satisfactorily active for the season, and staple articles, and most descriptions of side goods as well, are, at the moment, firm. There was fair activity in the demand for choice butter, and, under a scant supply, better prices were obtainable, really fine grades commanding 21@23c, and in rare instances 25@26c. No improvement was noticeable in common and medium qualities, the large supply of such keeping the market down. Cheese was firm at the advance recently established. New York is "off" a little, as a result of a temporary over-supply, but prices here are relatively much lower than at the East, and present rates will no doubt be sustained. In the dried fruit market a quiet feeling prevailed, but with the single exception of prunes, in which a reaction seems imminent, there was no softening of prices. A slight advance in figs is noted, but otherwise the quotations of yesterday were unchanged. Fish were reported in good local and interior demand, and were firm as previously quoted. Mackerel and whitefish were again scarce, and some holders were asking an advance. The hay trade continues dull, owing chiefly to a scarcity of prime qualities. Hides and leather remain quiet and nominally unchanged. Nothing new was reported in the market for pig iron, tobacco, paints and colors, trade ruling slack all around at yesterday's quotations. Oils were quoted quiet, and generally steady. Carbon oil was an exception, ½c decline being suffered.

Lumber continues to meet with a moderate inquiry at former prices. Metals and tinners' stock were quiet and unchanged, as were also iron, naval stores, and cooperage. Nails have declined, and are now selling at $4.50 rates. The demand for drugs and chemicals was very fair for the season; corrosive sublimate was higher, and iodine and a few other materials declined. Wool was in fair request, but owing to the light offerings, trading was limited. Broom-corn and hops met with a moderate inquiry at former quotations. The market for wool, broom-corn, and hops is firm. Timothy seed was fairly active at $3.15@4.00. Flax and clover met with a moderate inquiry, but other seeds were inactive and nominal. Green fruits were without particular change, except blackberries. Common and crab-apples were lower. Other fruit, when choice, brought full prices. Potatoes were unchanged. The market was overstocked with poultry, and spring chickens were lower. Eggs also closed easier, as the receipts were larger than yesterday.

Highwines were dull and easier. Sale was reported early of 50 brls at 93c per gallon, which was the price of yesterday. But later there were rumors of a sale of 100 brls at 92½c, and afterwards wines were freely offered, though not in large lots, at 92c, and not taken. There seemed to be no orders on the floor at any price, and for the day it was favorable to a bear movement. New York was quoted easier, at 96@97c, which leaves 4½c for a shipping margin. This is a fair difference; but it has not existed here for some time previous to to-day. Hence it is probable that the decline above noted will bring out orders. The production is on the increase.

Lake freights were active and steady at the slight decline noted yesterday, at 5¾c for corn, and 6c for wheat, by sail to Buffalo, and 11c for corn, and 12c for wheat, to Kingston or Oswego. Through rates by lake and rail to New England points were unchanged, at 23c for corn via Buffalo, and 25c via Oswego. A total of 15 charters was reported, which will carry out 42,000 bu wheat; 289,000 bu corn; and 100,000 bu oats.

Provisions were more active. Mess pork opened a shade firmer, but closed dull at the same quotations as yesterday, under rather free offerings for all but next month's delivery. Lard was dull and unchanged. Meats were stronger, middles being fully ¼c ₱ lb higher than 24 hours previous, though the advance was principally effected last evening, when it became known that our stocks of meats are reduced to very small dimensions, there being but 5,311,049 lbs of shoulders and middles on hand. There is still very little disposition to speculate on prices of product for future delivery. The market closed at the following range of prices: Mess pork, cash, $15.80@15.85; do seller August, $15.75@15.80; do seller September, $15.75@16.00; do seller October, $15.00; do seller December, $13.25@13.50; lard, cash or seller August, $7.75@7.85; do seller September, $7.90@8.00; short ribs sides, cash, 7¾c; do seller August, 7¾c; do seller September, 8c; dry salted meats steady at 7½@7¾c for shoulders; 9¼@9¾c for short ribs; and 9¾c for short clear. Boxed shoulders, 8@8¼c; English meats, 9¾@10c for short ribs; 10c for short clear. Bacon is quoted at 8¾c for shoulders; 10¼c for clear ribs; 10¾c for short clear; and 13¼@13½c for hams, packed.

Mess beef, $8.75@9.00; extra mess do, $9.75@10.00; beef hams, $24.00@25.00. City tallow, 7¼@7¾c; grease quotable at 5@6½c. Sales were reported of 1,000 brls mess pork at $15.90; 1,000 brls do at $15.80; 500 brls old do at $14.62½; 100 brls new do at $15.50; 1,000 brls pork, seller September, at $16.00; 500 brls do seller October at $15.00; 100,000 lbs shoulders (new) seller December, 30 days old when delivered, at 4c.

The following are the stocks of hog products on hand in this city on Aug. 1, 1873, and at corresponding dates, as reported by the packers and warehousemen to the Secretary of the Pork Packers' Association:

	1873. Aug. 1.	July 1.	June 1.
Clear pork, brls	10	10	251
Mess pork, new, brls	34,807	43,025	56,588
Mess pork, old, brls	13,200	15,724	15,659
Prime mess pork, brls		1	
Lard, tcs	27,887	34,263	41,436
Sweet pickled hams, tcs	9,446	13,657	16,815
Sweet pickled hams, brls	2,315	2,645	2,648
Bacon hams, pcs	57,100		
Dry salted shoulders, lbs	983,225	2,419,000	2,670,000
S. pickled shoulders, tcs	1,087		25
Rough sides, lbs	18,000	130,000	163,000
Long clear middles, lbs	60,000	5,000	60,000
Short clear middles, lbs	1,479,675	2,064,000	2,002,498
Short rib middles, lbs	2,780,750	4,773,750	5,798,750
Bellies, lbs	160,000	151,000	152,000
Grease, pkgs	2,055	2,830	2,930

*Including bacon hams.

All of the meats held by the jobbing trade are included. Lard held for manufacturing purposes not included.

Flour was very quiet and steady at former quotations. There was little demand, and that was almost entirely local, the shippers having bought scarcely anything in this market for several days past. Most of the flour shipments reported are bought directly from the mill, and shipped through. Bran was again heavy, owing to liberal offerings. Sales were reported of 50 brls white winter extras at $9.25; 50 brls do at $8.87½; 60 brls do at $8.50; 100 brls do on private terms; 100 brls red at $6.87½; 400 brls spring extra (Lockport Hydraulic) at $7.00; 100 brls do at $6.00; 200 brls do at $5.87½; 800 brls do on private terms. Total, 1,210 brls. Also, 1,500 brls corn meal (Marsh's Caloric) at $2.30; 10 tons bran at $9.50; 20 tons do at $9.25; 26 tons do at $9.12½; 10 tons at $9.00 on track; 10 tons at $10.00 delivered. The following was the closing range of prices:

Fair to choice white winter extras	$ 6.75 @ 9.00
Red winter extras	6.75 @ 7.00
Good to choice spring extras	6.00 @ 6.50
Low to medium	4.50 @ 6.00
Minnesotas (patent)	7.00 @10.00
Good to fancy Minnesota	6.50 @ 7.00
Spring superfines	2.50 @ 4.50
Rye flour	4.00 @ 4.25
Bran	9.00 @10.00

Wheat was very dull and very steady, at a shade below yesterday's average of prices. There was almost nothing doing during the greater part of the session, in an utter absence of orders. It seemed as if the market had collapsed into inactivity in reaction from the excitement of last month. Liverpool was quoted firmer on good wheat, with a breaking up of the fine weather that has been noted in England for several days past, but there was no particular change in the tone of New York advices. Our receipts were small, but they considerably exceeded the reported shipments, which were almost nothing, while there was little apparent desire to buy for shipment to-day. Two cargoes were taken, but it was for direct milling purposes, as the price of cash wheat does not tempt the speculative shippers. Millers are about the only buyers, and they are disposed to discriminate rather severely against new wheat, and will not buy unless assured that it is old. This feeling also affects the option market for this month, but not for next, as the new rule for dividing the two crops will be in operation in September. There was a little winter wheat offered to-day, but holders could not find buyers at anything above the corresponding grades of spring. Seller the month opened at $1.15½, advanced to $1.15¾, and declined to $1.15¾ at the close. Seller September sold at $1.07¾@1.08¾, closing at the inside; and seller the year was nominal at $1.04½@1.05. Old No. 1 spring was quiet at $1.23; and new do closed at $1.18¾. Old No. 2 spring sold early at $1.19, but declined to $1.17¾, closing at $1.17¾. New No. 3 was unquotable. No. 3 spring closed nominal at $1.05¾ in the Central, but was not wanted in other houses. Rejected spring closed at 92c. We note that the new crop is arriving in first-class condition, but buyers are not anxious to touch it till they know that it has been through the sweating process. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 1 spring (old) at $1.20; 1,000 bu do (new) at $1.19; 400 bu do at $1.18¾; 37,900 bu No. 2 spring and 1,200 bu hard do at $1.19; 800 bu do at $1.18; 2,400 bu do at $1.17¾; 1,800 bu do at $1.17½; 13,300 bu No. 3 spring at $1.05¾; 400 bu rejected spring at 92¾c; 800 bu do at 92c. Total, 60,700 bu.

Corn was moderately active, and averaged ½c higher. The market was quite dull early, and apparently weak, but stiffened materially when it was announced that only 271 cars had been inspected in this morning. This fact was not so very important in itself, as we have plenty of corn here yet, but it was generally accepted as a sign that the time of small receipts has arrived, and that we shall see but little corn coming in for the next two weeks. The bulk of the corn now in store here is controlled by only two or three parties, and cannot be made available for the filling of August shorts, the greater part of which would seem to be unfilled as yet,—very few deliveries having been made thus far. Of course, if our receipts should exhibit a marked falling off, even without news of a stunted crop, there will be a heavy rally of the short interest, which is so large that its magnitude can scarcely be guessed at. The shippers took hold of all the cash corn offered, and made this department of the market quite an active one. Seller the month, or regular No. 2, opened at 37½c, advanced to 38c, and closed at 37¾c. Seller September sold at 38¼@38¾c, closing at the outside. For seller October 38¾c closing at the outside. For seller October 38¾c was bid. New receipts of No. 2 closed at 33¾c, high mixed at 38¾c, and rejected at 34¾c. We note a sale of posted corn at 37c. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 1 at 38¼c; 44,000 bu high mixed at 38¼c; 12,800 bu No. 2 fresh at 38¾c; 8,000 bu do at 38¾c; 2,000 bu do at 38c; 50,000 bu regular at 37½c; 56,800 bu do at 37¾c; 25,000 bu do at 37¾c; 10,000 bu do, posted, at 37c; 33,600 bu rejected at 36c; 4,400 bu do at 34¾c; 4,500 bu high mixed at 39¾c; 12,000 bu No. 2 at 38¾c, afloat. Total 323,500 bu.

Oats were dull and again a shade easier, though reported firm on the seaboard, while our receipts were very moderate. The stocks in store are not large; but they are heavier than they should be just on the eve of the arrival of the new crop, and several owners seem to have grown tired of holding for a demand which does not come. Seller the month opened at 36¾c, and closed at 36¾c, with very little discrimination in favor of cash lots. Seller September sold at 25¾@26c, and seller the year at 25¾c. Cash sales were reported of 15,400 bu No. 2 at 36¾c; 18,600 bu do at 36¾c; 2,400 bu rejected at 34½c; 4,200 bu do at 34½c; 1,800 bu do at 34c. Total, 37,400 bu.

Rye was quiet and firm at yesterday's quotations. Sales of cash lots were limited to 800 bu No. 2 at 58c, and that price was bid at the close. Rejected was nominal at 52@52½c. Seller the month was inactive; quotable at about 56@57c. The supply is small, as the rye now in store is generally held off the market.

Barley was quiet and strong, a further advance of 2@3c per bu being obtained. An effort was made early to keep down the market by offering car lots of new No. 2 for September delivery at 84c, but 85c was soon bid, and later 85,000 bu sold at 86c, the market closing strong at the highest inside figure bid by any purchaser outside. Cash No. 2 was nominal at 70@75c two weeks old; No. 3 at 65c, and rejected at 58@60c. Sales were limited to 400 bu new No. 2 at 87c; and 400 by sample at 70c.

EUROPEAN MARKETS.

The following is Beerbohm's dispatch to the Board of Trade to-day:

AUG. 5.—London—Floating cargoes of wheat off coast firmly held. Floating cargoes of corn off coast steady. Arrivals of wheat and corn on passage to-day. French country markets for wheat generally dearer. Weather in England showery. English harvest operations proceed favorably. Liverpool—Wheat steady. Corn quiet. California wheat, 11s 6d@12s 8d. Corn, 28s 6d. Lard, 38s. Cumberlands, 37s. London—Spring wheat, 52s 6d@53s. Lard, 39s. Short ribs, 40s.

The following are the footings of the official report of grain in store on the evening of Saturday last, and at corresponding dates:

	1873. Aug. 2,	July 26,	Aug. 3, 1872.
WHEAT.			
No. 2 Red	1,072	370	775
Rejected winter	200	275	1,000
No. 1 spring	20,857	4,779	92,692
No. 2 spring	179,933	181,109	660,583
No. 3 spring	72,910	66,364	43,818
No. 1 hard spring	2,808	74,808	
No. 2 hard spring	13,264	14,528	
Rejected spring	32,621	42,190	18,123
No grade spring	8,433	838	
Total	332,699	396,260	815,491
CORN.			
White			345
Yellow	23,353	10,315	36,674
Mixed	27,183	64,591	114,577
High mixed	242,908	95,237	
No. 2	2,155,460	2,389,904	1,863,677
Rejected	172,206	246,643	325,275
No. 2 kiln-dried	10,833		
No grade	18,995	13,818	7,250
Total	2,703,189	2,790,108	2,348,117
OATS.			
No. 1	853	853	12,842
No. 2 white	1,858	1,200	
No. 2	538,922	643,752	515,945
No. 3	75,674		
Rejected	4,149	35,001	67,922
No grade	629	1,428	1,796
Total	620,088	730,234	597,785
RYE.			
No. 1	3,844	3,844	11,431
No. 2	53,124	51,335	4,837
Rejected	1,280	1,383	1,966
Total	58,248	56,562	18,234
BARLEY.			
No. 2	27,301	27,301	60,643
No. 3	1,767	2,201	20,269
Rejected	2,749	3,615	5,763
Total	32,217	33,217	79,679

Total of all kinds, 3,749,441 bu, being 252,036 bu less than a week previous. These figures show a decrease of 68,561 bu wheat, 86,919 bu corn, 110,236 bu oats, and an increase of 1,686 bu rye.

HAY INSPECTION.

The rules for the inspection of hay, recently adopted by the Board of Trade of this city, establish the following grades:

Prime Timothy—Shall be pure timothy hay, free from all other grasses; good color, well cured, and free from mist.

No. 1 Timothy—Shall be timothy and not more than one-fifth of other tame grasses mixed; good color, well cured, and free from must.

No. 2 Timothy—Shall be timothy and not more than one-third of other tame grasses mixed; good color, well cured, and free from must.

Mixed Hay—Shall consist of tame grasses, mixed; good color, well cured, and free from must.

Prime Prairie—Shall be purely upland hay, free from small grasses, good color, well cured, and free from must.

No. 1 Prairie—Shall be upland and midland prairie hay, good color, well cured, and free from must.

No. 2 Prairie—Shall be a wild or slough hay, either wholly or mixed with upland, good color, well cured, and free from must.

No Grade Hay—All kinds of hay badly cured, stained, or in any way out of condition, the certificate of inspection stating whether it is tame or prairie hay.

All certificates of inspection shall give the weight of each bale of hay weighed and inspected. The expenses for inspection shall not exceed thirty (30) cents per ton of two thousand (2,000) pounds, and shall be divided equally between buyer and seller.

Under the new system of inspection, the hay will be shipped to a transfer warehouse (the location of which has not yet been determined), and there unloaded and inspected—each bale separately. For transferring, inspecting, and weighing, a fee of 10c per bale will be allowed, but where the hay goes into warehouse, or is sold on track, only 5c will be charged. The inspection is not made compulsory, but is left optional with the buyer and seller. Among country shippers some dissatisfaction with the new order of things is expressed, but dealers give it a cordial indorsement, and it is believed that, after a thorough trial, the system will meet with general approval. George M. Allen has been appointed inspector. Mr. Allen has filled a similar position at the East.

PROVISIONS.

The New York *Produce Exchange Weekly* gives the following as the foreign exports of provisions from New York for the week ending July 29, 1873, and the distribution of the same:

| To | Pork, brls. | Beef, pkgs | Lard, lbs. | Bac

FATAL ELEVATOR ACCIDENT.

A Man Instantly Killed by the Fall of a Hoisting-Machine—Two Of His Companions Narrowly Escape the Same Fate—A Broken Pinion the Cause of the Accident.

A sad accident occurred at the rooms of the Singer Sewing-Machine Company, No. 111 South State street, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, from the sudden descent of an elevator. These conveyors fixtures seem to be very imperfect in their construction. They are constantly endangering the lives of those who use them. Inventive genius should be applied to them, and since it has done so much to perfect and render reasonable to suppose that it could effect the same thing with elevators. The elevator was manipulated by hand-power. Several employes were in the basement, hoisting to one of the upper stories a heavy load of sewing-machines. Some of the men stood under the elevator platform. When the load had reached almost to the third floor, a pinion in the rearing above suddenly flew to pieces, causing the platform to descend to the basement, by the rapidity of a shooting star. Willdorf with the load of men at the rope, failing to lose hold, one of the men at the rope, failing to escape from beneath the platform, was caught by it, and crushed to death in an instant. He was most horribly mangled, his head being broken in two places, the top of his head smashed in, and his hip bones thrust into his body. Two others had hair-breadth escapes. Cook was 25 years old, and resided at No. 647 South May street. He leaves a wife and a child. Great care was taken to break the news gently to them. The body was not taken away from the building. The accident was reported to the Coroner, who, on hearing the circumstances, purchased by Mr. Snetzer, of the Singer Company.

The elevator was manufactured by Ready, of 55 Illinois street. The pinion was supposed to be of sufficient thickness to sustain the weight placed upon it. The iron, however, appeared to be defective, and this was probably the cause of the accident. The Coroner was notified, and will hold an inquest to-day.

SUBURBAN ITEMS.

EVANSTON.

The Northwestern University having voted $5,000 in aid of the Suburban Horse-Railway, the project is fast assuming tangible shape. The Company will lay this season, and have in running operation, a track from the Evanston depot to the Government Light-House, at the north end of the village.

NORWOOD PARK.

Substantial improvements are being made in this now well-known suburb. Several fine residences have been erected this season.

The Norwood Park Hotel has been converted into a residence, and is occupied by the owner, Mr. Ehemardt.

The Baptist Church is fast approaching completion, the basement now being used for services.

The necessity for a side-track and station agent at this place is apparent to every one except the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company. This suburb now has fifty daily commuters, and a large amount of freight is handled yearly at Canfield, one mile and a half distant.

A new town is to be thrown into the market between Norwood Park and Jefferson. Arrangements have been made to build a station-house at once. Between Irving Park and Maplewood a new town is being laid out and a station-house constructed.

Still another new town has been started between Ravenswood and Rosehill.

HYDE PARK.

The Hyde Park Board of Education held a regular meeting on Monday evening. Miss Emma Preston's application for a position as teacher was presented and filed. Miss Ada E. Sluyter's was withdrawn from the list of candidates at her special request. Bills were approved of for Hopkins & Ward, $6.60; L. Reilly, $100.75. The Committee on "Readers" were granted further time. The Committee on Supplies were instructed to contract for ninety tons of hard coal for the ensuing winter; also were authorized to employ some one to take the census of the Hyde Park Public Schools. Mr. Holmes was appointed Teacher of Drawing, and Miss Appolena Hoyes teacher at Parkside school.

It being apparent that a new graded school is desired near Grand Crossing, and that Mr. Paul Cornell will donate eight lots for the purpose, the report of the Special Committee on that subject was recommitted to them for further report, and the President will hunt up plans and specifications for a school-house, suited to the growing wants of that neighborhood.

Adjourned to Monday evening, Aug. 18.

St. Philip Neri.

A few days since the ancient borough of Arundal, England, witnessed a solemn and serious ceremony in the opening of a new Roman Catholic Church, dedicated to St. Philip Neri. This building is the finest in England dedicated to the Roman Catholic services. It is erected at the cost of the Duke of Norfolk, and it is estimated that on its completion $1,000,000 will have been expended upon it. The ceremony of consecration and opening was performed by Dr. Danell, Bishop of Southwark, London, in the presence of Archbishop Manning and a great number of eminent ecclesiastics. The Church, we are told, was crowded, and many distinguished Catholic families were present. The services were progressive and the music impressive. From a report of the sermon preached by Father Dalgairns we gather that the Duke of Norfolk has erected the building to fulfill the ardent wish of his father, who was a most devout Roman Catholic.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—BY F. C. WIETING, REAL ESTATE Agent, Room R, 182 Dearborn-st., near Madison: Wabash-av., 50 ft near Thirty-fifth-st.

Michigan-av., house and lot near Twenty-fifth-st.

Prairie-av., house and lot near Twenty-sixth-st.

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Third-av., house and lot near Taylor-st.

Barnside-st., house and lot near Thirty-fifth-st.

Burnside-st., 3 lots near Thirty-eighth-st.

Adams-st., 2 lots near Lincoln-st.

Warren-av., 50 ft near Lansing-st.

Van Buren-st., 3 lots near Western-av.

Harrison-st., fine 5-story brick house and stud lot, near Oakley-st., on monthly payments.

Whiting-st., 3 lots near Wells-st.

Bryant-av., 25 ft near Thirty-seventh-av.

FOR SALE—GOOD LOTS ON THE FOLLOWING streets: State, Burnside, Butterfield, Atwood, Garfield, Hanover, Butler, Wallace, Sumner, Winter, Michigan, Indiana, and Dearborn-avs., also three lots on Wentworth, Shoridan, Portland and Stewart-avs., and Forty-second, Forty-third, Forty-fourth, Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Napoleon, Twenty-ninth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-fifth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh, and Thirty-eighth-sts. Title perfect. Deed free. Easy terms. Very low for payment down. Five years' time, 8 per cent interest. $100 to $500 each. Apply to owner, ALBERT CRANE, 115 Monroe-st.

FOR SALE—AT A BARGAIN—LOTS ON WEST side-st., FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY. Any Campbell-st., Parties wishing to build, or money required, cheap, can, if desired, will furnish a part of the money to build. Inquire of GEORGE CAMPBELL, on premises, or at 132 South Clark-st., 2d floor.

FOR SALE—WABASH-AV. LOTS, 100x170, EAST front, covered with a handsome grove of beautiful oaks. Desirable place for residences. Also on the South Side; the street is 100 feet wide; 40 rear deep; the position very desirable. Only 2 blocks from Englewood depot, and 6 miles south of city limits. HULBURD & CO., 208 LaSalle-st.

FOR SALE—CHOICE LOTS ON DREXEL BOULEvard, 50 feet front, near Oakwood-av., at a great bargain, and on easy terms. Apply to GEORGE E. BROWNE, House and lot on Wabash-av., east front, near Eighteenth-st., at a bargain, or will trade.

FOR SALE—BY MATSON HILL, 118 AND 120 Dearborn-st.:

INDIANA-AV.—25x100 ft., between Sixteenth and Eighteenth-sts., $250 per foot cash; this lot is surrounded by elegant residences, and has large old trees in front; the price for which it is offered is 25% per ft. less than the lots on the cross-streets, and can be made by buying this lot and building on it; houses can now be built it cheaper than one year ago.

PRAIRIE-AV.—80x125 ft., east front, near Thirty-second-st., $125 per foot; very easy terms.

FOR SALE—150 FEET ON MICHIGAN-AV., NEAR Forty-ninth-st. 4 lots on Wentworth-av., near Calumet-av. 2 lots on Polk-st., near Campbell-av., cheap, and easy terms. 40 acres in Sec. 28, 38, 13. H. J. ARNOLD, 90 East Madison-st., Room 10.

FOR SALE—GOOD BUSINESS LOT ON TWENTY-sixth-st., near Butler; 1-5 cash, balance on five years' time, at 6 per cent interest. 1 lot on Division-st., near Lavergne, very cheap. HALL & O'NEILL.

FOR SALE—SEVEN-ROOM COTTAGE AND LOT on Twenty-seventh-st., near Butler; on monthly payments of $30. HALL & O'NEILL, 77 Clark-st.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS 11-ROOM HOUSE ON Lake-av., at a great bargain. 50 feet of Wentworth-av. property, on easy terms. Also, building lots on Prairie-av. and south of city limits. J. BARWICK, 167 LaSalle-st., basement.

FOR SALE—$4,200 WILL BUY A GOOD 10-STORY house and lot, west of Union Park; only $1,000 down. WHIPPLE & CLARKSON, 113 Madison-st.

FOR SALE—10 ACRES ADJOINING ARTESIAN well; lot on Paulina, near Division-st.; lots on Robertson-av., near Southport. Indianapolis-av., between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth-sts. CHAS. H. MOORE, Attorney-at-Law, 183 Monroe-st., Room 8.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—A NEW 7-ROOM HOUSE, corner Wabash-av. and Thirty-third-st. Will be sold at a low price and easy terms, or exchanged for house and lot on Third or Fourth-av. ALFRED JAMES, S. W. corner Clark and Madison-sts.

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TO EXCHANGE—A GOOD 8T. JOE, MICH., Fruit Farm for house. Will assume incumbrance. Also Irving Park and Montrose lots to exchange for houses, farms, lands or other property. H. E. HULL, 76 East Madison-st., Room 5.

TO EXCHANGE—A WELL IMPROVED FARM OF 218 acres in Illinois for Chicago real estate. Address E. E. GARD, 79 South Morgan-st.

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TO EXCHANGE—NORWOOD PARK BLOCKS OR lots for improved unincumbered property in city or country towns. S. E. WELLS, 128 Dearborn-st.

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WANTED—TO EXCHANGE A FINE MARE, sound and kind, for a fast pacing horse or trotter. Address KRAFT & CO., corner Kilworth and Polk-sts.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—SUNDAY AFTERNOON, AT RIVERSIDE or Lyons, a black and white dog, of the greyhound species; blue silk ribbon and steel collar, with the name of Nellie. A good reward will be paid by returning same to 515 South Halsted-st., Singer office.

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LOST—$5.00 REWARD—A BLACK-AND-TAN TERrier dog with collar on marked Dutzo. The finder will receive the above reward by returning him to B. F. JACOBS & CO., 121 South Water-st.

LOST—BETWEEN UNION STOCK YARDS AND Adams-st., a ledger. The finder will be liberally rewarded by returning to JESSE ADAMS, Union Stock Yard, or by notifying where it can be found.

LOST—A C. & N. W. R. R. CO. DRAY BOOK, NO. 11. Any one returning it to 113 and 115 South Water-st., will receive a suitable reward. C. H. BECK WITH & SON.

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BUSINESS CHANCES.

A BARGAIN—MACKENZIE & GIFFING, LIQUOR-dealers, 118 Lake-st., corner Clark, wish to dispose of the whole or half interest in their business; have a wholesale and retail trade; the finest and best location in a good city; reason for selling, disagreement of partnership; we have a first-class business; capital required not very large.

A SALOON LOCATED ON THE CORNER OF THE Lake Shore Drive, offering a splendid opening for business, for sale; convenient to the Exposition Ground. Will trade for good real estate. HALL & O'NEILL, 77 Clark-st.

A DESIRABLE HARDWARE AND TIN BUSINESS for sale, in the best location in the city; low rent. CHRESEMAN & CO., 70 East Madison-st., Room 6.

A FIRST-CLASS ICE CREAM, CONFECTIONERY, and cake store for sale; sales for Saturday last 60 in the city, cheap for cash. Call at 254 West Madison-st.

A 20-FOOT BAR COUNTER, COMPLETE, WITH shelving and mirror, for sale; just the thing for an exposition place. Address F 70, Tribune office.

A FIRST-CLASS RESTAURANT AND ICE CREAM saloon for sale, cheap. Been doing a large business for six years. Address S 72, Tribune office.

A LODGING HOUSE IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR sale; a rare chance for a family wishing to remove to the Pacific Coast; a well-established business. For further information and particulars address C. C. HOOKER, Real Estate, No. 202 Montgomery-st., San Francisco, Cal.

A HALF-INTEREST IN A CARRIAGE FACTORY doing a good business for sale. Address A D, 264 West Madison-st.

A WELL-ESTABLISHED BILLIARD HALL, containing four good tables, Phelan & Collender cushions, with neat sample room attached, for sale; best corner on North Side. Address 49 South Water-st.

A VINEGAR FACTORY FOR SALE; THE ONLY factory in Chicago; doing a good business; established and six railroads. Address A 71, Tribune office.

A RESTAURANT IN THE BEST LOCATION IN the city, doing a good business, for sale. The reason for selling I have a number of investments. Call at 95 Tribune office.

A NO. 1 GROCERY STOCK ON SOUTH HALSTED-st. for sale, invoice $3,000, $1,000 cash; balance in real estate. 279 East Madison-st., Room 46. SUMNER & CO.

A SALOON FOR SALE AT 76 BLUE ISLAND-AV. Inquire on the premises.

A CIGAR AND GENTS' FURNISHING STORE IN a good location on North Clark-st. for sale; owner's reason for selling out. Apply in store, 328 Division-st.

CROCKERY STORE AND FIXTURES F

SPORTING MATTERS.

Opening Day's Races of the Buffalo Meeting.

The Saratoga Races—Aquatic—Wrestling.

THE TURF.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 5.—The eighth annual meeting of the Buffalo Park Association began this afternoon. The attendance was not quite so large as on first days of previous years, though the accommodations for spectators are so extensive that a really large crowd appears smaller than it is. As usual with Buffalo during race week the weather is superb, clear, cool, and pleasant, and the track is in the finest possible condition. It has been widened on the quarter stretch to the turn since last year, so that a larger field of horses can start abreast. The same admirable arrarangements which have rendered the Buffalo races the most notable and successful in America are everywhere apparent. The delegation from Chicago is not so numerous as heretofore, though many well-known turfites of that city are already here, and more are expected. Contrary to general expectation, the authorities have not interfered with pool-selling in the city or on the track, though the belief that it was intended to suppress this favorite betting convenience doubtless had the effect of keeping away many men to whom the privilege of pool-buying is an indispensable adjunct of a horse-race. A most agreeable feature of the races is the presence of Harvey Dodworth's famous New York brass and reed band. A regular programme of classic and popular music is given each day, and the selections are finely rendered.

THE DAY'S SPORT

included two very interesting races, the 2:34 and 2:27, for purses of $4,000 and $10,000 respectively. For the 2:34 purse there were fourteen entries, of which Walter, Fearnaught, Jr., Arthur, and Belle were drawn, leaving ten to start. Of these the favorite was Manbrino Gift, the winner of the 2:34 race at Cleveland, though another stallion, Manhattan, was highly rated. Next was also Stewart Maloney. Just before the start Gift sold at 100 even against the field, made up of the two first-named, besides the Canada and Kentucky stallions, Caledonia Chief and Zilcadi Gold Dust, the Chicago gelding, Bay Henry, Gift led by a length in the first quarter in 36 seconds, Maloney only a length further back leading Gold Dust four lengths, while Bay Henry brought up the rear. The latter, however, did some rapid stepping on the back stretch, and had placed himself seventh by the time. Gift made the half in 1:12, still holding his lead of one length over Star, who was as much beyond Maloney. The race from here home was between the three leaders alone, Manbrino Gift beating Star out half a length in 2:26¾, Stewart Maloney third by one length, Gold Dust six lengths back for fourth, Kate Gilbert, Bay Henry, Manhattan, Planter, Kelley, and Caledonia Chief strung out to the distance flag, but all got inside.

In the second heat Barney Kelley got away at a stiff gait, and on the turn whipped in and took the pole, with Gift and Planter at his heels. Kelley led the party two lengths at the quarter, in 36¼ seconds, and then Planter made a bad break, and gave up third place to Maloney. Gift overhauled Kelley handsomely, but broke and lost so that Kelely led him a length at the half in 1:12½. Maloney a good third. Gift was brought back to his work and sent along so fast that he came up with Kelley at the third quarter. The two had it hot and bitter on the home-stretch, and Gift seemed to be getting the best of it when he made a break at the distance flag, which cost him the heat, Kelley taking it by a long length in 2:26¾, Maloney third by a length, Membrino Star a good fourth and Caledonia Chief, Kate Gilbert, Manhattan, Gold Dust, and Henry strung out in the rear, with Planter distanced.

In the third heat Membrino Gift was still the favorite in the pools, selling at 70 to 50 against the field. He had much the best of the send-off, and made the quarter two lengths ahead of Kelley, who led Maloney a length. Gift kept on at a rapid rate, and Kelley, breaking, fell back to third, but rallied again and resumed second place. Maloney and Star were having a tussle for third, as Gift passed the half three lengths in front of Kelley. Maloney at the third quarter was at Kelley's wheel, Gift's lead being reduced to a length. Kelley gave him a hot chase home, and was in a fair way to beat him, but broke near the wire, and Gift took the heat by a length in 2:27½, Maloney, a close third, Star fourth, Caledonia Chief, Gold Dust, Bay Henry, Manhattan, and Kate Gilbert following on.

In the fourth heat the start was a fine one for all. Gift showed them his heels at the quarter, which he made in 37¾, with a length's lead over Kelley who led Maloney a length The latter worsted Kelley on the stretch and took second place, coming within two lengths of Gift as he passed the half in 1:13. Kelley kept his claim for second, and coming abreast with Maloney, trotted with him to the third quarter, where Gift led them two lengths. Kelley broke on the last turn, leaving Maloney to fight it out with the favorite. He did give him a terrible race down the home stretch, and once carried Gift to a trot before the distance flag, but McLaughlin settled him at the third jump, and landed him home winner of the heat and race for a length in 2:30; Maloney second; Kelly a poor third over Membrino Star.

SUMMARY.

Purse $4,000, for horses that never beat 2:34—$2,000 to first, $1,000 to second, $500 to third, $400 to fourth. Mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

J. M. Nye's ch. s. Manbrino Gift	1	2	1 1
Dan Pfifer's b. g. Barney Kelly	2	1	2 3
M. Goodin's b. g. Stewart Maloney	3	3	3 2
C. Leggatt's b. s. Membrino Star	2	4	4 4
Thomas Brown's s. s. Caledonia Chief	10	5	5 5
Graves & Loomis b. g. Bay Henry	6	9	7 6
L. L. Dorsey's ch. s. Zilcadi Gold Dust	4	7	6 8
A. Patterson's b. s. Manhattan	7	8	8 7
J. J. Bowen's b. m. Kate Gilbert	5	6	9 9
J. W. Wright's ch. g. Planter	8	10	8 dist.
B. Mace's r. g. Walter			dr.
D. Mace's ch. s. Fearnaught, Jr			dr.
P. Daly's b. g. Arthur			dr.
K. J. Sullivan's b. m. Belle			dr.

Time—2:26¾; 2:26¾; 2:27¾; 2:30.

IN THE 2:27 RACE

for the purse of $10,000, for horses that never beat 2:27, there were eleven entries, among them Nettie, the winner of the 2:27 and 2:24 races at Cleveland, Castle Boy, the 2:20 winner at the same place, Lady Blanche, J. H. Brown, and others. It was hoped that Nettie and Castle Boy, both with a record of 2:24½, would be brought together in this race, but Castle Boy was drawn, and the big purse was left for Nettie alone, so at least thought the betting men, who believed that the little mare had nowhere near touched bottom yet, and so they made her a hot favorite at odds of three to one against the field, though the latter contained such good ones as J. G. Brown, Blanche, Abdallah, Thomas L. Young, and Comee. Brown had rounded to all right after his lameness at Cleveland, but he was a little rank from short work, and so was not to be depended on in a race. Aleck Lewis made his appearance in a nobby suit of gray, after the names of Doble and Mace, and looked very neat. In addition to Castle Boy, there were drawn Brother Jonathan, St. James, Gloucester, and Lucille Gold Dust.

The pole was drawn by Brown, Nettie next.

In the first heat they got off very evenly at the second attempt. The race was a hot one from the start between Brown, Nettie, and Blanche, who rounded the turn in a bunch. Brown made a break and ran a few lengths, but being brought back skillfully lost nothing by it. He reached the quarter in 37 seconds, more than a length in advance of Blanche, who led Nettie half a length. Blanche then forged ahead and took first place, Brown giving way to Nettie and Abdallah. On the back-stretch Blanche led Nettie four lengths at the half in 1:13½, Brown and Abdallah neck and neck a length behind. Then Nettie made a rush and closed rapidly on Blanche, while Brown put on steam and made for them both, leaving Abdallah in the lurch. At the third quarter Nettie had lapped Blanche, Brown two lengths back. The race home was a pretty one, but Nettie was too speedy for them, winning the heat in 2:26¼, a length over Blanche, whom Brown had given a hard tug for second, and was only beaten by a short neck. Young fourth by five lengths, Abdallah fifth, and Comee last.

In the second heat another admirable start was affected at the second attempt. Thomas L. Young made a burst on the turn, and took the pole, though Nettie and Brown were right at the turn. Nettie pulled out and tackled him, and at the quarter, in 36 seconds, showed her nose in front, Young and Brown neck and neck, and Blanche a good fourth. In the brush that ensued Brown got the best of it, and beat Nettie half a length at the half in 1:13. Brown then pulled out his lead to a length, but Nettie came for him savagely, and was on even terms at the third quarter. Meantime Blanche had given Young the go-by, and was a close third as they turned for home. Brown and Nettie came on very fast, and for a time it was impossible to tell how the struggle was [illegible] Nettie [illegible] on the home-stretch, but only succeeded in beating him a half-length in 2:22¾, Blanche a length in the rear of Brown, Young fourth, Abdallah fifth, and Comee last.

In the third heat Brown, Nettie, and Blanche rounded the turn abreast, but Blanche left her feet and fell back, while Brown got to the quarter a length better than Nettie in 36½ seconds. Blanche recovered her lost ground and came abreast with Nettie, but the latter was too fast for her, and she had to drop back, Nettie making for Brown. She crept to his flank and then to his shoulders, and at the half in 1:12 had her nose level with his. Beyond here she left him rapidly, having opened out a gap of nearly two lengths at the third quarter. A pretty battle took place between Brown and Blanche for second place on the home stretch, and the mare shot ahead and came in a neck in advance at the wire, but as she had done considerable skipping throughout the heat was set back, and Brown was awarded second place and second money. Nettie won the heat and race by a length in 2:24½, Brown second, Blanche third, Abdallah fourth, Young fifth, and Comee last.

SUMMARY.

Eighth Annual Meeting Buffalo Park Association, Buffalo, Aug. 5, 1873. Purse $10,000 for horses that never beat 2:27; $6,000 to first, $2,500 to second, $1,500 to third, $1,000 to fourth; mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

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Alex. Lewis' b. g. J. G. Brown	2	3	2	3
D. Mace's bl. m. Blanche	3	2	3	2
T. J. Oliver's ch. g. Thomas L. Young	4	4	5	4
J. S. Park's Abdallah	5	5	4	5
J. J. Bowen's b. g. Comee	6	6	6	6
J. McKee's b. g. Brother Jonathan	dr.			
M. Boostr's b. f. Castle Boy	dr.			
F. Van Ness' b. g. St. James	dr.			
P. Daly's bl. g. Arthur	dr.			
T. J. Sullivan's b. m. Belle	dr.			

Time—2:26; 2:22¾; 2:24¾.

In the pool selling to-night for to-morrow's race, Judge Fullerton is the favorite in the first race, and Clementine in the second.

THE SARATOGA RACES.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 5.—The second Saratoga meeting was opened to-day by a race for the Kentucky Stakes for 3-year-olds, $100 entrance, half forfeit, and $1,000 added, which was won by Battle-Axe. Time, 1:45¼. This was followed by the summer handicap, all ages, two miles, which was won by Strachino. Time, 3:36¾.

The steeple chase was won by Dufey, with Blind Tom second. Time, 5:48¼. Distance, about three miles.

WRESTLING.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 5.—The referee's decision in the wrestling match is, that Ted Law and Mike Kerney must wrestle again on Wednesday afternoon. Meet at noon of that day and select a place.

AQUATIC.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 5.—Joseph C. Cloud, who is fulfilling an engagement to row from Philadelphia to New Orleans, arrived this morning. He is in a robust condition, and resumes his journey on the Ohio River to-morrow morning.

THE PRIZE-RING.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 5.—Another deposit of $500 in the Allen and McCoole prize fight, which is to come off Sept. 23, was made to-night at the saloon of Mike McCoole; $1,500 is now up. The last deposit will be made just prior to the meeting.

WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CABINET MEETING.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—The Cabinet meeting, which was held to-day, was entirely of an informal character, as only routine business was considered. The case of the Virginius was not discussed, although it may properly be said to have come before the Government, inasmuch as all the correspondence has been received at the State Department. The suggestion that the diplomatic offices of the Government be used to obtain lenient treatment of the Manitoba kidnappers was somewhat debated, and the assurances of the Acting Secretary of State to Senator Ramsey were approved. The Government officials generally regard the affair much in the light of a Fenian raid, and are not inclined to make an important diplomatic matter of it. All the members of the Cabinet were present, except the Secretary of the Treasury and Navy. The former was represented by Assistant Secretary Sawyer, while the latter was not represented. The Cabinet to-night have been invited to dine by Gov. Cooke. It is supposed that the desired object of this dinner is to call the attention of the Administration to the financial condition of the District in connection with the recently published statements of excessive indebtedness and mismanagement. The President returns to Long Branch to-morrow night.

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS.

The forthcoming report of the Commissioner of Education will contain the following significant passage upon American illiteracy: "Who can speak boastingly of American intelligence with a knowledge of the fact that over 17 per cent of the adult males of the country, who are essentially all voters, are illiterate, and that nearly one-fourth of the adult females, over 20 per cent, are in the same condition. As the amount of intelligence in the country is tested by the capacity to read and write, and is not limited to the adults. The census does not give those under 10 who cannot write or cannot read, but we may make an estimate on the basis that the same percentage holds good as in the case of those between 10 and 20 years, and we find that out of the 38,558,371 of the population of the United States of all ages, 19,135,799, or 3.47 per cent of the total population must be excluded from any estimate which would ascertain the number who are able through reading and writing to exchange information with others for the guidance of their conduct."

THE "BACK-PAY" STEAL.

Gen. Spinner states that he is awaiting anxiously to hear from scores of Congressmen who have caused it to be announced in the local papers in their respective districts that they have covered their "back-pay" into the Treasury, when, in fact, the records of his office fail to show anything of the kind. All amounts received are properly credited.

POSTAL ROBBERY.

The postal clerk charged with robbing the mail between here and New York, to-day confessed his guilt. The robberies have been going on for some weeks. He is a young man, of high family connections, his father having formerly been an Assistant Postmaster-General.

GEN. B. F. SWEET,

of Chicago, Deputy-Commissioner of Internal Revenue, will act as Commissioner of Internal Revenue for four weeks, during the absence of Commissioner Douglass.

DENIAL.

L. S. Beecher, the lumber dealer, of Boston, whose name has been connected with the recently-published statements in which the name of a Senator was implicated in some Wisconsin Indian frauds, has arrived here, and states that he knows nothing of the affair.

PACIFIC RAILROAD INTEREST BONDS.

A question of considerable importance to the Pacific Railroad was to-day decided by the Acting Second Comptroller. The last Congress enacted a law providing that the Treasury should receive one-half the compensation due the road for services until the annual interest on the bonds was paid, and authorized the road to go to the Court of Claims with the question. The War Department have annually paid the road some $800,000 for transportation. The Quartermaster-General has desired to have the question settled whether this reserved one-half might not be considered as an additional appropriation in view of the improbability of the termination of the pending litigation during the year. The question has been formally propounded to the Second Comptroller by the Navy Department. The Comptroller decides that these reserve one-half earnings must be held by the Secretary of the Treasury as Assignee in trust until the suit authorized by Congress to be brought in the Court of Claims by the road shall have been determined, or the claimants have become barred by the statutory lapse of six years. Under this decision these reserved earnings must therefore lie idle in the Treasury, possibly for six years. The ultimate solution of the disposition of these reserved earnings comprehends the construction of the original granting act of July 7, 1862. The road insists that inasmuch as annual interest is specifically mentioned, simple interest can alone be collected upon the maturity of the bonds at the expiration of thirty years. Legally the question turns upon the question whether compound interest can be collected when it is not specifically mentioned.

[To the Associated Press.]

TITLE TO MINERAL LANDS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—The Commissioner of the General Land office has decided that parties desiring to acquire title to lands containing valuable deposits of iron-ore must comply with the provisions of the Mining act, approved May 15, 1872, except in the States of Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, which, by act of Congress approved March 3, 1873, are expressly relieved from its operations.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.

The following Postmasters were appointed to-day: Henry M. Geiger, Marysville, Mo.; Her[illegible] Cheyenne City, Wyoming; Frank A. Douglass, Boughton, Mich.; Thomas D. Abbott, Laramie City, W. T.

NEW FIFTY-CENT NOTES.

The first installment of the new fifty-cent notes have been delivered to Treasurer Spinner, and were issued to-day.

SOCIAL COURTESIES.

The President will be the guest of Gov. Cooke during his stay here. The Governor entertains the President and members of the Cabinet now in town at dinner this evening.

CANADA.

Printers' Strike at Ottawa—Rumored Death by Drowning of John A. Macdonald—The Credit Mobilier Scandal.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

OTTAWA, Aug. 5.—The printers of this city, excepting those on the *Times* paper, are on a strike. It arises from the repudiation of the Printers' Union by the master printers. The papers are diminished in size to overcome the difficulty. Forty English printers have just arrived in the city, and some non-Union men are arriving in small numbers from other points in the Province.

Langevin's situation as the leader of the French party is becoming most critical, and evidence is at hand of his inability to command the whole of Sir George Cartier's following.

MONTREAL, Aug. 5.—A rumor was current in the city all day yesterday that Sir John A. Macdonald was drowned at Riviere DuLoup. One report says accidentally, and another intentionally. It lacks confirmation. He is reported to have made such an attempt a few days ago, while under the influence of liquor, in which he has of late been over-indulging.

Much excitement was occasioned by the elections of the Harbor Trust Commission. The city chose the Mayor; the Board of Trade chose Hugh McLennan and the Hon. John Young; the Corn Exchange William Ogilvie; and the shipping interest A. Allan.

Resolutions, to be submitted at a mass meeting to-night, embody points insisted on by the Opposition.

The *Herald* has published a couple of letters from the budget of Pacific Railway correspondence and other documents, signed by James Beatty, Jr., of Toronto. They serve to show the ramifications of the Company. They are not as important as some yet to be published in a few days. The *Herald* editorially says: "Let us once more express our desire to learn something of the opinions of our moral contemporaries upon Beatty, Jr.'s veracity; but if they see cause to pronounce any one a liar in connection with it, let them recollect that liar is not McMullen."

TORONTO, Aug. 5.—George W. McMullen has preferred charges of libel against the Toronto *Mail*, the leading Ministerial organ; damages, $50,000, and retained leading counsel.

NEW ORLEANS.

Extensive Land Frauds—Tracts Worth Several Millions Sold for a Few Thousands.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 5.—A heavy land fraud came to light to-day through a communication, to the City Council, of William J. McCulloch, surveyor, involving titles to the amount of several millions. Under the act of March 2, 1849, surveys were made by order of the Surveyor-General, and certain Louisiana lands were declared swamp and overflowed, unfit for cultivation, embracing a large tract in the rear and part of the corporation of New Orleans. By said act such tracts were transferred to the State. The Legislature last winter passed a law, signed by Kellogg, reducing the price of said swamp lands to 25 cents per acre, under which 2,500 acres in the corporation limits of New Orleans have been sold to Dr. A. W. Smythe and George F. Brott, the former securing all but 100 acres. This land is in the rear of the city, and is very low and wet, but not subject to tidal overflow. As contemplated by the law, the tract includes the old Metairie racecourse, now a cemetery, New Orleans Canal, shell road, Oakland Riding-Park to some extent, Jackson Railroad, draining machines, canals, etc. The property will amount to several millions of dollars, for which only $700 or $800 was paid.

The city will probably contest in the courts. Dr. Symthe is President of the Board of Park Commissioners.

WALL STREET.

Review of the Stock and Produce Markets.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Stocks generally weaker. Speculation has been tame, and prices were barely maintained on limited business. Northwestern common was the principal feature early in the day, declining from 68¾ to 67¼, and finally closing ¼ higher. Vanderbilt's stocks maintained their prices. Gold was dull and a limited business transacted.

BREADSTUFFS.

Flour inactive. Shipping extras steady, but other brands heavy. Wheat quiet, with fair inquiry from shippers, and prices steady at yesterday's figures. Corn steady, with fair demand. Oats a shade firmer. Very good inquiry for ocean freights, and rates rule higher and stronger.

BRIGHAM'S ABUSED WIFE.

Proceedings in the Divorce Suit of Mrs. Young No. 17—Original Service Declared Illegal, and a New One Ordered—Plaintiff Makes an Attempt to Compromise.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 5.—The divorce case of Ann Eliza Young against Brigham Young came up to-day before Judge Emerson. Defendant's attorney, Hempstead, made a point that the papers were not properly served, inasmuch as the officer was appointed in chambers, and not in court. Judge Emerson held that the point was well taken, and plaintiff must make service again.

It is understood that Mrs. Young has attempted to compromise the suit for $15,000 without the knowledge or consent of her lawyers, Messrs Smith, Tuford, and Hagan, who propose carrying the matter out. A new service of papers will be at once made.

The Cholera.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 5.—No new cases of cholera are reported to-day.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 5.—It is reported here that a few deaths from cholera have occurred at Aurora, Ind., and that six new cases and one decease have occurred there to-day. The weather here was very cool last night and to-day.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 5.—The *Journal's* special reports two deaths at Carmi from cholera, six new cases being reported.

[By Mail.]

Carmi, Ill. (Aug. 2) Dispatch to the Evansville Journal.

Since last night eight four new cases and three deaths have occurred; others improving. Sol. Guess, engineer on the Cairo & Vincennes Railroad, died yesterday after eighteen hours sickness. There was a large attendance of railroad men at the funeral. Up to last report there had been thirteen deaths; not eight as reported by Mr. Joy. We had heavy rains here yesterday; weather fine; but there was none to-day. More families will, to-morrow, take advantage of the epidemic to go to the lakes. Everything is quiet, and all precautions are used to prevent another attack. There were two saloons open yesterday, but they were not allowed to sell any ale or beer. One death has occurred between here and Wabash. There was also one at Wabash.

LATER.—The child of Mr. Gardner, who died a few days ago, is also dead, and a child of Mr. Apple, living in north part of city.

Railroad News.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 5.—Much satisfaction is felt among the people of the county in consequence of the resuming of work on the Kansas City, Memphis & Mobile Railroad, which is in progress after a controversy of nearly two years over the application of bonds voted originally to the Tebo & Neosho Road, and afterward transferred to the Kansas City & Memphis Road. The bonds were held by the financial agent appointed by a former County Court during the intervening time awaiting a decision of the Court as to their legal ownership. No decision was made until the reorganization of the County Court recently, when a decision was made in favor of the Kansas City, Memphis & Mobile Road. The road will now be pushed forward, and, with the exception of a large cut upon which workmen are now engaged the road-bed is already completed to Harrisonville, Cass County, about forty miles from Kansas City. The road is of the utmost importance to this section, making direct transportation to Memphis and New Orleans.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—The Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County has ordered an election on the proposition to grant the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Company, or a local company, $200,000 to extend the road to Solidad Pass.

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., July 5.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Michigan City & Indianapolis Railroad, held at this city to-day, the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year: David Macy, William Cutting, Hayward Cutting, Jesse S. Leon, Volney T. Malloitt, Albert Southard, Henry H. Walker. The report of the officers of the road shows a very satisfactory condition, the business furnished at Michigan City for the road being largely in excess of the most sanguine expectations of the stockholders.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 5.—Messrs. Charles Hillam, President of the Milwaukee & Northern Illinois Railroad, and others visited this city to-day with a view to the immediate commencement of the St. Louis air-line road from Milwaukee. A committee was appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to negotiate for the road from Milwaukee to Burlington, Wis., which is already graded.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 5.—To-day 20 miles of the Eastern extension of the Allegheny Valley Railroad, known as the Great Low Grade Road, was opened for business from Burns Station to Driftwood, on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad. Trains will be running regularly from this time.

MILWAUKEE.

Liquor Seizure—A Railroad Engineer Sent to House of Correction—German Anti-Temperance Convention—Incendiary Arrested.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 5.—Yesterday, United States Revenue Collector Erskine seized the stock of the liquor house of R. Taylor, No. 259 Reed street, the proprietor having conducted business without a rectifier's license.

An engineer of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, named George Clark, was sent to the House of Correction for two months for improper liberties with the person of a 6-year old daughter of Mr. Praeger, of the Praeger House. Clark's counsel appealed to the Court to punish by fine, but the outrage was considered one deserving the full extent of the law. The engineer has a mother residing in Chicago.

To-morrow there will be a convention of the American Constitutional Union at the Academy of Music. A large number of delegates have arrived, and it is expected that over 1,000 will be present, representing every town in the State.

The brewers and maltsters of the State met to-day and elected representatives, and similar action was taken by several Catholic societies last evening. The Union is not a political organization, but a movement of Germans, irrespective of party, to cause a repeal of the temperance laws, and to prevent future legislation in the interests of the Prohibitionists. The Unionists are expected to vote against any candidate, Democratic, Republican, or Liberal, who is not pledged to use his best efforts to repeal the liquor law, and to oppose all temperance legislation.

Deputy Sheriff Alft arrested John N. Schendihel, of the Town of Milwaukee, on the charge of arson, preferred by John Kohlmetz. Complainant made oath that defendant had set fire to his haystacks, with a view to the destruction of his house and barns.

WEATHER AND WATER.

War Department Weather Report.

LOCAL OBSERVATION.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5, 1873.

Hour of observation.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Humidity.	Direction and force of wind.	Rain-fall in inches.	Weather.
6:53 a. m	30.32	68	60	S., gentle.	.....	Clear.
11:18 a. m	30.30	74	51	S. E., fresh.	.....	Clear.
2:00 p. m	30.24	74	55	E., fresh.	.....	Clear.
6:33 p. m	30.19	74	55	E., fresh.	.....	Clear.
9:00 p. m	30.18	70	80	S. E., fresh.	.....	Fair.
10:18 p. m	30.17	70	85	S. E., fresh.	.....	Fair.

Maximum thermometer, 74.
Minimum thermometer, 59.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

CHICAGO, Aug. 5—10:18 p. m.

Station.	Bar.	Ther.	Wind.	Rain	Weather.
Breck'nr'ge	29.69	71	S. W., light.	.47	Light rain.
Buffalo	30.21	62	E., gentle.	.....	Clear.
Cairo	30.17	72	N. E., gentle.	.....	Clear.
Cheyenne	30.19	73	E., gentle.	.....	Fair.
Chicago	30.17	70	E., fresh.	.....	Fair.
Cincinnati	30.22	74	N. E., light.	.....	Clear.
Cleveland	30.22	66	E., fresh.	.....	Clear.
Detroit	30.18	71	E., fresh.	.....	Light rain.
Detroit	30.23	65	N., gentle.	.....	Fair.
Duluth	29.84	75	S. W., gentle.	.....	Clear.
Escanaba	30.06	65	W., fresh.	.....	Clear.
Keokuk	30.20	70	S., fresh.	.....	Clear.
LaCrosse	30.07	72	S., fresh.	.....	Clear.
Marquette	29.97	69	S. W., fresh.	.....	Clear.
Milwaukee	30.18	65	S. W., fresh.	.....	Clear.
Omaha	29.93	78	S. E., brisk.	.....	Fair.
St. Paul	29.88	73	S. E., brisk.	.....	Fair.
Toledo	30.25	66	Calm.	.....	Fair.

PROBABILITIES.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—For the Northwest and Upper Lakes, and thence to Southern Indiana and Missouri, falling barometer, warmer and cloudy weather, with severe local storms near the Upper Lakes. For the Lower Lakes, and thence to the Ohio Valley, generally clear and cool weather and northeasterly winds, followed to-morrow afternoon by cloudy weather, rain, and fresh southwesterly winds on the lakes. For the New England and Middle States higher temperature, generally clear weather and southeasterly winds. For Tennessee, the Gulf, and South Atlantic States northeasterly and southeasterly winds, lower temperature, and partly cloudy weather, with rains on or near the coast.

STAGE OF WATER.

Daily report of the stage of water, with changes in the 24 hours ending 3 p. m., Aug. 5, 1873:

	ABOVE LOW WATER.	CHANGES. Rise.	Fall.
Cairo	16 ft. 3 in.	.....	9 in.
Cincinnati	11 ft. 6 in.	.....	.....
Davenport	3 ft. 8 in.	.....	2 in.
Keokuk	3 ft. 4 in.	.....	2 in.
Leavenworth	5 ft. 2 in.	.....	2 in.
Louisville	5 ft. 5 in.	8 in.	.....
Memphis	13 ft. 3 in.	.....	7 in.
Nashville	3 ft. 4 in.	2 in.	.....
New Orleans	9 ft. 4 in.	.....	4 in.
Omaha	8 ft. 6 in.	.....	4 in.
Pittsburgh	6 ft. 9 in.	.....	.....
Shreveport	12 ft. 1 in.	.....	1 in.
St. Louis	14 ft.	.....	3 in.
St. Paul	5 ft. 2 in.	.....	1 in.
Vicksburg	21 ft.	.....	9 in.

*Below high water of 1871.

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ST. LOUIS.

A Test-Case Under the Social-Evil Ordinance.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 5.—The Rev. W. G. Eliot, Chancelor of Washington University, of this city, who has taken a decided and active part in opposition to the Social-Evil law now in force here, made information to-day in the Court of Criminal Correction against Lizzie Saville and Kate Clark, two of the most noted of the demi-monde, for keeping bawdy-houses. Dr. Elliot's purpose is to test the constitutionality and legality of the Social-Evil law.

Dr. Elliott has also sworn out warrants for the arrest of the owners of the houses occupied by Saville and Clark.

The Crops.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Aug. 5.—Accounts from various parts of the State render it certain that the yield of wheat will be some larger than last year. Oats and barley will be less. Corn looks fine, but is behind last season, and early frosts would damage it immensely. All this week will be required to finish the harvesting.

There was a slight frost here last night in low places.

BERTOWS, Grant Co., Wis., Aug. 2, 1873.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Wheat in this section is nearly all harvested; the crop is generally good. Oats seem to be a light crop; the rust has destroyed some fields. Corn and potatoes are suffering from the extremely dry weather. L.

Yale College.

NEW HAVEN, Ct., Aug. 5.—The subscription of $160,000 for the erection of the second Theological Hall for the Divinity School of Yale College, toward which a friend of the Seminary has recently subscribed $80,000 on condition that the remainder was raised by the 1st of August, has been complied by the Professors becoming responsible for the sum still wanting, amounting to about $6,000.

National Educational Association.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Aug. 5.—The National Association met this morning in this city. About one thousand delegate members were present, nearly every State in the Union being represented. The Association was welcomed to the city by the Mayor in a brief speech, and Geo. H. Diven, President of the Board of Education, responded. The question then to be discussed was introduced by Edwin Shippen, of Philadelphia: "Ought Chinese and Japanese indemnities to be refunded unconditionally, or be devoted to specific educational purposes?" He was followed by Dr. McCosh, of New Jersey, who made a strong speech, the point of which was that the Government should be careful lest the fund fall into the hands of the reactionary party. After discussion the subject was laid upon the table to come up under resolution.

This afternoon four departments of the Association are meeting. President Elliot, of Harvard College, is with the Department of Higher Instruction, speaking upon "National University."

Dr. James McCosh spoke very ably, this evening, at the Opera-House, before the Association, on upper schools.

President Reid, of Missouri, pronounced an eulogy on the late Dr. McDuffey, of Virginia.

The city is filling up rapidly with strangers, and the promise is that the meeting of the Association to-morrow will be one of great interest.

NEW YORK.

Bill of Exceptions in the Walworth Case—Terrific Explosion—The Attempted Voucher Robbery—Sentence of a Murderer Commuted.

NEW YORK, Aug. 5.—Commissioner Van Nort thinks that the person who forced open the safe in his department was familiar with the office, but in search of something else than is contained. Among its contents were the vouchers of the bills paid by the department; but as these are made in triplicate, no harm would have been done the city had all that were found been taken. The only papers in the safe of importance to Commissioner Van Nort were the records of Robert Jardin with the Department of Public Works.

Later.—It is now stated that the burglary in the Department of Public Works was no burglary after all, but that one of the clerks forgot to shut the safe door, and his companions concluded a robbery had been attempted.

It is understood that the Court of Oyer and Terminer convened to-day expressly to receive a bill of exceptions to be presented by Walworth's counsel. The bill will comprise every exception taken by counsel during the trial, and a new trial is confidently looked for. Counsel not being ready with their bill, no action was taken in the matter.

Henry Dohr, a baker of South Brooklyn, yesterday discovered a boy named Dougherty attempting to steal a loaf of bread from his wagon, and beat and kicked him in so brutal a manner that the boy will die. Dohr was arrested.

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic in Hoboken compelled a saloon-keeper to take down the German flag, which was flying over an American flag, and reverse their positions.

Gov. Dix has commuted the sentence of David Murphy, convicted of the murder of David Barry, sentenced to be hanged on Friday next, to imprisonment for life.

Collector Arthur announces that all merchandise in the public store in Greenwich street, which was so much damaged as to make identification impossible, will be sold at public auction. The goods are being removed for that purpose.

This morning a Brooklyn police officer, on duty at the Atlantic docks, overheard remarks of Charles Coburn, a fireman on board the tug-boat Charles Allen, about the case of an unknown man found dead in Spring street, and, concluding that he knew something about the case, arrested him. On being brought to New York, Coburn told Capt. Williams that he was in the saloon of Schwartz at the time Meyer, the barkeeper, and the unknown had a fight, and he separated them. Nellie Welsh, who was in the saloon, stated that she saw Meyer knock the man down first, and then Coburn put something like a pair of brass knuckles on his fist, and gave deceased a blow on the head.

The Brooklyn Trust Company stockholders met to-night at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. Seymour L. Husted was chosen Chairman. Judge McCue read a statement of the affairs of the Company, and said the capital of the Company was impaired fifty per cent. All were in favor of making this good and proceeding with business. A resolution was passed to pay 50 per cent when called upon by the Directors, and open the bank for business on Saturday morning.

STABBING AFFRAY.

A Jealous Husband Seeks to Satisfy His Feelings by Stabbing His Rival—A Desperate Encounter the Result, in which the Destroyer of His Happiness is Seriously Wounded.

John Hoffert, under the influence of jealousy, yesterday afternoon, stabbed William Cottrell, so seriously, that his victim, at a late hour last night, was little more than a dead man. The encounter took place at No. 107 String street, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The difficulty originated in a family disagreement, the details of which are somewhat disgusting.

A month ago, Hoffert, because of the devotion his wife showed for Cottrell, and the cares which an increasing family burdened him with, deserted his wife, and, for a time, dwelt principally in saloons and free-lunch houses. At times, like Enoch Arden, he would return to the hearthstone he had left. Unlike that noble creature of the imagination, he did not contest himself with peering in the windows, boldly, and, it is said, rather boisterously, crossed the threshold. He was prompted to this act chiefly by his love for his four children, for whom he seems to have retained a strong affection. It does, not appear, however, that it was very fully reciprocated, which is, perhaps, the best proof that Hoffert did not consider himself as he should have done. His wife, however, seems to be little better. She is said to be an abandoned character, for, since her husband deserted her, she has been living in open adultery with Cottrell. Her children, however have adopted him, as their father, as children will any man who puts bread and butter and sugar-plums into their mouths. A confectioner's near by the residence of this interesting family is said to have thrived wonderfully since Cottrell became the head of the household.

But Hoffert would not stand it. It did not satisfy him, that he had left his wife. He expected to be sent for. He thought his absence would make her long for his presence. It did not. She rejoiced that he had gone, for now her heart could pulsate with that of Cottrell's, and nothing make them flutter with fear of discovery. Hoffert resolved to destroy their happiness. He did not shrink from committing murder, to do it, so great was his hatred for Cottrell. Yesterday afternoon he resolved to bring the matter to a head. So, after swallowing several strong drinks, and